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## Saudi-German talks

## Bonn affirms support for Palestinian rights

BONN, March 4 (Agencies) — Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal conferred with his West German counterpart Hans Dietrich Genscher upon his arrival here.

After the talks, West Germany reaffirmed its support for the Palestinian people's right to self-determination, mirroring the backing given to the Palestinians earlier Tuesday by French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing during a trip to the Middle East.

The statement said Genscher had repeated West Germany's policy "that the right of the Palestinian people to self-determination must be realized in the framework of a lasting, comprehensive Middle East peace settlement."

Last September at a dinner he hosted here for Moshe Dayan then the Israeli foreign minister, Genscher asked Israel to give its blessing to Palestinian self-determination, but Dayan refused saying the speech signified a change for the worse in West German foreign policy.

Monday night's statement said Genscher and Prince Saud had a broad and intensive exchange of views, partly on relations between the European Economic Community and the Arab world.

Afterwards, Prince Saud had a two and-a-half hour meeting with West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt.

A West German government spokesman said the meeting "was particularly useful in view of the current global political situation" and had included discussions on world, regional and energy questions as well as bilateral relations.

West Germany and Saudi Arabia also called for the restoration of the independence and nonaligned status of Afghanistan.

The statement said the ministers had discussed the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan and added, "They underlined the need to restore the nonaligned status and independence of Afghanistan in the sense of the resolution of the United Nations' General Assembly."

## Duncan leaves

## Oil stocking not discussed

RIYADH, March 4 (SPA) — U.S. Energy Secretary Charles Duncan, who left here after three days of talks, did not ask to buy Saudi oil to build up reserves, Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani said Tuesday.

Also, Duncan did not ask that the kingdom maintain its current level of production

## Egypt asserts autonomy pact set for May 26

CAIRO, March 4 (AP) — Egypt will discontinue Palestinian autonomy talks with Israel if no agreement is reached by May 26 on ending Israeli occupation of Arab lands and electing a Palestinian autonomous council, a top foreign ministry official has warned.

Speaking to Parliament, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali said Egypt would then "resort to other diplomatic forums such as the United Nations, the Organization of African Unity and Non-Aligned."

May 26 is the date set by the Camp David agreement for applying self-rule to the 1.2 million Palestinians living on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. Ghali was quoted by the Middle East News Agency in talks with Parliament's committees on foreign relations, Arab affairs and national security.

Ghali's remarks Monday contrasted sharply with a statement Prime Minister Mustafa Khalil made in Paris a few hours earlier. Khalil said that Egypt was committed to continue the Camp David process and the May 26 deadline did not mean "we will stop and find another process."

Khalil, who is doubling as foreign minister and Egypt's chief autonomy negotiator with Israel and the United Nations, suggested another Camp David style summit for pushing forward the stalled negotiations towards a successful end before the deadline expires.

Ghali, however, said Egypt "achieved progress" at the latest round of autonomy negotiations held last week in the Netherlands by convincing both the Israeli and American delegations to agree to forming two subcommittees, one for legislative issues and the other for economic matters.

Khalil also welcomed France's endorsement Sunday of "the right to self-determination" of the Palestinian people as an endorsement of the Egyptian view of the Camp David agreements.

"In our point of view they mean self-determination" because "they call for a comprehensive settlement to be reached in all its aspects," he said.



## Casualties claimed in Afghan fight

ISLAMABAD, March 4 (AP) — Afghan government troops have suffered heavy casualties in continued fighting against Muslim forces over the last three days, freedom fighters said Tuesday.

The Afghan government troops suffered 1,800 dead in the fighting at various places in Kunar and Paktia provinces of Afghanistan along the Pakistan border, a press release by Hizbe Islami (Islamic Party) of Afghanistan, one of several Muslim groups, said Tuesday.

"A large number of the Afghan army men have been besieged in the area of Asmar and Shegal by the Mujahideen (holy warriors)," the press release said.

The Afghan army launched an attack on the freedom fighters, but the attack was repulsed, it said. "The Afghan government infantry used a large number of tanks and had air cover," according to the Hizbe Islami.

The Muslims said they also surrounded government troops in Watanpur area in the same province.

The Hizbe Islami gave no estimates of the casualties suffered by the Mujahideen in these encounters.

The government troops have launched an attack on Ulsawi, where the fighting continued, it said.

The Hizbe Islami also claimed that one hundred government paratroopers who landed near Bajaur area were killed by the Mujahideen, and five freedom fighters lost their lives.

## Palestine focus of Giscard's Qatar talks

DOHA, March 4 (R) — French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing arrived in Qatar Tuesday to meet the Gulf Emirate's leaders and again the Palestinian question was at the center of discussions.

The president, on the third leg of a 10-day tour of six Arab states, broke new French diplomatic ground on Monday when he called for the right of the Palestinian people to self-determination as part of an overall Middle East peace settlement.

The statement, included in the communiqué issued after his talks with the ruler of Kuwait, was repeated Tuesday in a joint communiqué with the ruler of Bahrain.

Previously France, the most pro-Arab of the major Western powers insisted only on recognition of the Palestinian people's rights to a homeland and representation at overall peace talks.

The Franco-Bahraini communiqué also included a condemnation by Giscard d'Estaing and Bahraini head of state Sheikh Isa Bin Salman Al-Khalifa of what they called the Soviet Union's "flagrant interference" in

Afghanistan.

They called on Moscow to pull out its troops and said their continued presence in Afghanistan was a danger for world peace.

On regional security, France and Bahrain agreed the Gulf should be kept out of big-power rivalries, and said Gulf states should take responsibility for their own security rather than accept guarantees from foreign powers.

Their joint position was similar to that of Sheikh Zaid Bin Sultan Al-Nahayan, president of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) where the French leader is due Wednesday.

In an interview with French television, Sheikh Zaid attacked U.S. promises to protect the Gulf by force, and said the Americans would do better to send their troops to Afghanistan.

"All is well in the Gulf and it has no need of American or any other forces," the UAE leader said.

After flying from Bahrain Giscard d'Estaing had talks in Doha with Qatari Ruler Sheikh Khalifa Bin Hamad Al-Thani.

## Says U.N. vote 'error'

## Carter wooing Jewish vote

Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, March 4 — Concern over losing Jewish votes in upcoming primary elections led President Carter to announce Monday night that America's U.N. vote condemning Israeli settlements was a mistake, sources close to the White House said Tuesday.

In a surprise statement, Carter said the U.S. incorrectly voted Saturday for a Security Council resolution calling on Israel to dismantle its settlements in the occupied territories, including Jerusalem.

The error centered not on the main thrust of the resolution but on its references to the status of Jerusalem, Carter said.

Sources here said the president's announcement was an attempt to prevent the erosion of Jewish votes in Tuesday's Democratic primary election and in next week's primary in Florida.

Carter's Democratic challenger, Sen. Edward Kennedy, attacked the U.S. vote as "shameful". Kennedy is actively trying to draw American Jews away from the president's campaign, sources said.

Carter's claim Monday that the U.S. vote was a mistake "was basically a political statement," one well-informed source said.

"In view of the Massachusetts and Florida primaries, Carter is 'going to be responsive basically to where he thinks the electorate is,'" the source noted.

"By and large our foreign policy depends on public opinion, and public opinion is right now still dominated essentially by the Israeli lobby," he added.

Meanwhile, "the Washington Post" reported Tuesday that the U.S. decision to support the U.N. resolution was approved personally by Carter and Secretary of State Cyrus Vance "as a signal of deepening U.S. unhappiness over Israel's settlements policy."

Quoting administration sources, the "Post" said Carter approved the vote after his ambassador to the U.N., Donald McHenry, "appealed directly to the president."

That President Carter decided to support the resolution to avoid the resignation of McHenry, who felt his credibility at the U.N. would be seriously damaged by a U.S. abstention.

McHenry had worked hard on the draft resolution in cooperation with Arab and Islamic ambassadors, sources said.

McHenry's predecessor, former Ambassador Andrew Young, declined to comment on the affair.

Reached by telephone in Atlanta, Georgia, Young told Arab News - Asharq Al-Awsat he felt it "wouldn't be good for me to comment on the position that he (McHenry) took."

Young said McHenry "is having a hard enough job without me making it more difficult for him."

The former ambassador said he was unaware of reports that McHenry had threatened to resign his post.

But Israel's cabinet Tuesday strongly denounced the United States support for the removal of Jewish settlers from occupied Arab land, despite Carter's statement Monday night that the United States had erred in supporting a U.N. Security Council resolution supporting such removal.

Reuters said that the Israeli cabinet however remained sharply divided over whether to retaliate with a burst of settlements. An Israeli government spokesman said the ministers unanimously rejected Saturday's Security Council resolution calling for dismantling of Jewish settlements in all occupied territories including Jerusalem.

The spokesman said that "the United States support for it is unjust and the resolution will arouse strong dissatisfaction and protest among the Jewish people."

The government spokesman said Prime Minister Menachem Begin read to his colleagues a letter from Carter explaining why the American vote had gone the way it did. Israeli Radio quoted ministers as saying the letter was an attempt at apologizing to Israel.

Meanwhile, a mixup over the resolution will cause "wounded feelings" among the Arabs and others around the world, Ambassador Donald McHenry said Tuesday.

In a news conference, he denied U.S. policy on Israeli settlements had shifted and left the impression that political pressure caused Carter to admit a foulup.

"The effect in the Arab world will not be loving," McHenry said. They feel very strongly with regard to settlements."



Sheikh Zayed

## UAE raps U.S. Gulf designs

ABU DHABI, March 4 (R) — The President of the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al-Nahayan, Tuesday attacked U.S. promises to protect the Gulf by force and said U.S. troops would be better sent to Afghanistan.

Sheikh Zayed said in an interview with French television reported by the official Emirates News Agency: "All is well in the Gulf and it has no need of American or any other force."

"If America wants to dispatch forces it could send them to the burning invaded regions of Afghanistan — that is where the foreign aggression is, not here in the Gulf," Sheikh Zayed said.

"I did not know how one party can threaten to send its forces to the Gulf, which it considers a region vital to its security — the area has become a toy for the big powers," he added.

Last month President Carter said he was sending 1,800 marines in four amphibious landing craft to the Arabian Sea, where they were expected to link up with a 20-ship task force already in the area.

After the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan in December President Carter said any

attempt to take over the Gulf would be regarded as an assault on the vital security interests of the United States and would be repelled by any means necessary, including military force.

Sheikh Zayed, speaking the day before French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing arrives in the UAE on his Gulf tour, said: "The presence of American forces in the area is not something we expect from a friendly country like the United States."

"The peoples of the world would cooperate and live in peace if it were not for the intervention of the big powers. So these powers must work to keep the Gulf region clear of their rivalry," he added.

A senior Arab oil official said Tuesday there would be no need of U.S. military protection for the Gulf if the countries in the area remain united like a single state. Ali Attiga, secretary general of the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC), told the Bahrain-based Gulf News Agency.

Foreign intervention only comes where there are divisions and wars.

"If Arab Gulf was a single and strong state there would be no talk of foreign intervention."

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## At symposium in Bordeaux

## Badr speaks on maritime cooperation

By a Staff Writer

BORDEAUX, France, March 4 — The Secretary General of the Arab League, Faysal Badr, chaired a symposium here during the Seas and Oceans Conference in Tropical Areas.

The conference is discussing cooperation between participating states and exchanging information and expertise in the field of ports and shipping. During the Fourth Oceans Conference, in which Saudi Arabia is participating for the first time, Badr presented a report dealing with the safety of shipping, piracy and stressed cooperation.

During a report to the conference, Secretary General of the Arab League, Faysal Badr, said that France's call for a self-determination is "a dangerous position, which I am convinced is an important contribution to the Middle East problem."

During a Tunisian Information Minister's report, he did not believe Israel's position, but he did believe in a hard-line stand following a communiqué Tuesday making a commitment for the Palestinians to a lasting peace in the Middle East.

The conference was attended by Arab representatives from 20 different nations.

On the safety of the seas, Badr said in his report that despite the revolution of information most international trade is still dependent upon the sea. In Saudi Arabia, even more so, is the case in the past its transportation was entirely with land travel.

The sea is the lifeblood without which we cannot live. We need the sea for our oil and for the import of vital materials that we do not possess. There is no doubt that even after the oil crisis, our "invisible" earnings will support us. But such earnings will be unless we have absolute maritime security, Badr said.

Badr points out that "vicious" wars threaten or prevent all that is good in the world. In Saudi Arabia in this field, while trust and cooperation are essential for civilized development, they must not — will not adopt a stance towards any threat to the security of the region, whether that threat comes from individuals or from individuals.

One reason Saudi Arabia will not build up of unwarranted war fleets is, according to Badr, such a buildup would threaten the Kingdom's existence in the Gulf. The Saudis tried to put a stranglehold in World War II.

Only must nations in the area be free of military threats, but also the threat that militaries in the region will interrupt or desert shipping caused by super-power



Dr. Faysal Badr

confrontation on the high seas will just as surely harm trading nations as direct military intervention or communist infiltration," according to Badr.

For this reason, Badr said that no one country lives in isolation. "The increasing interdependence of nations means that if one sneezes others will invariably catch a cold. If our trading partners are to avoid the proverbial cold, businessmen and workers alike must forcefully tell their leaders that world peace and stability are essential for their welfare, especially in areas where they have interests and wish to extend cooperation," Badr reported to the conference.

According to Badr, investments in shipping requires a particularly high degree of technological know-how and expertise reflecting the complexity of modern maritime activities. It is therefore natural that the Kingdom seeks cooperation in shipping developments. He added that some progress has been made with the creation of the United Arab Shipping Company owned by a consortium of Gulf States, and by the recent links between Saudi and Scandinavian companies to run large multi-purpose fleets.

"In shipping this process of internationalization of ownership is something new, but extremely significant. It will pave the way for a more active role in shipping conferences and also in the determination of freight rates to our countries."

This is only a start. The potential for greater participation by Arabs in shipping is enormous; as is the potential for much greater economic cooperation between our nations and the West, particularly Europe," Badr also said that the promotion of the virtue of cooperation in the development of Arab ports and shipping operations, greater cooperative effort and urgency is required in the elimination of the vice of maritime malpractice.

Badr said that, although there is increasing legitimate opportunity available to all those concerned with trade with the Arab world, there has been a "disturbing increase in the incidence of gangsterism and piracy by those intent of exploiting the wealth and, in some cases, the naivety of Arab traders."

He said that the terms "gangsterism" and



Cheddi Khelifa

"piracy" more accurately reflect what the media sometimes call documentary fraud and battery. This piracy is not the romantic brigandage of the 18th century or the callous, parasitic variety taking place on the seas of South East Asia. It is more the piracy by "individuals sitting in comfortable offices, who make use of 'The System', unwitting consignees and consignors, shipping companies and agents and even banks."

Badr reported that in the last six months of 1976, timber exporters in Singapore lost nearly 100 million of cargo. In addition, since 1977 more than 40 ships sunk in suspicious circumstances in the South China Sea.

As a response to these matters, he said all incidents should be notified to the proper authorities; every effort made to trace ship and crew and have them arrested. In addition, according to Badr, ocean traders should concern themselves with the "small fish, as well as the big fish." Most big consignments that are conveniently lost are replaced through insurance coverage, but the consignee with low value cargo may not be so well protected.

Badr said the "modern-day pirates" also exploit the system in cases where cargo and even vessels do not exist. This is attributed to the banks' adherence to standards where proof of consignment and a simple showing of Bills of Lading are too easily bypassed.

In addition, Badr's report to the symposium stresses that smuggling must be dealt with. He said that it has become more virulent in the past few years. He said, in regard to this, that it is "particularly ironic that recent encouragement of containerization has provided unscrupulous traders with a less detectable way to make ill-gotten gains. He added that the small minority of unscrupulous users of containers whether they be exporters, shippers, agents or consignees must be deterred."

"The imaginative idea of introducing multi-door containers must be seriously considered and accepted. Contrary to some ill-informed press comment, the idea has received reasonable understanding and cooperation from shipping conferences, shipping companies, container users and consignees alike."

## To present King Khaled's message

## Sheikh Wasie to open Islamic Conference

RIYADH, March 4 (SPA) — Minister of Pilgrimage and Endowments, Sheikh Abdul Wahab, will open the Islamic Conference of Arab and Islamic Affairs in Mecca.

The four-day conference is being held in Mecca for the second time. The conference was in Mecca last year and was attended by 41 ministers from all over the world.

Sheikh Abdul Wahab will present King Khaled's message at the opening ceremony.

The Ministry of Pilgrimage and Endowments thanked the Ministry of Education for the decision to regulate the shops selling, renting or displaying cassettes, video tapes or films, and calls for moving the shops to other areas.

Sheikh Abdul Wahab, in a cable to the Minister of Education, Dr. Muhammad Ali, expressed his gratitude for the decision to regulate the shops and provide a quiet, security and suitable environment for the conference.



Sheikh Abdul Wahab Abdul Wasie

In other developments, the Ministry of Pilgrimage and Endowments has invited Islamic states and organizations across the world to the second annual competition for Koran reading. It will be held April 14 to 19.

Forty-two Islamic nations and 75

Islamic societies and centers have been invited. Countries could enter the competition with more than one competitor, but societies and centers are allowed only one. Saudi Arabians who have passed local competitions organized by the ministry will also take part.

The deputy director of administration of the Arab Cultural, Administrative and Scientific Organization, Abdullah Share, left Sanaa Tuesday after attending the conference of Arab and Islamic Antiquities.

Share said that the conference was successful and fruitful.

The third week of mosque maintenance will start March 22. The week is organized by the Ministry of Pilgrimage and Endowments in cooperation with governors, municipalities, the Presidency of Youth Welfare and the ministries of education and information.

It is aimed at encouraging the public, especially youths, to establish closer ties to mosques and clean and repair them. At the end of the week, ideal mosques will be chosen and certificates and prizes will be granted to those who worked on them.

## Jordan invites foreign ministers for conference

AMMAN, March 4 (SPA) — The Jordanian government Tuesday formally invited the states of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation to attend the 11th Islamic Conference scheduled for May 25.

The agenda of the conference will include the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia, the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, the Cypriot problem and

the creation of a nuclear-free zone in Africa. The conference will also examine fostering cooperation among Islamic countries in the propagation of Islam and the creation of an Islamic university in Niger.

OIC Secretary General Habib Chatty will submit a detailed report on the implementation of the resolutions adopted at last May's conference in Fez, Morocco, and at the

emergency foreign ministers meeting here in January.

Egypt and Afghanistan have been suspended from the OIC — the former at the 10th Islamic Conference after the signing of the Camp David accords, and the other during the emergency meeting because the Afghan regime dealt with the Soviet invaders.

## BRIEFS

AMMAN, (SPA) — The Ministry of Education and Telephones Tuesday announced that it will issue commemorative stamps for the 10th anniversary of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF). The stamps will be issued on Tuesday on this occasion. The stamps will be valued at \$1 million to be used for extending services to children in the world, especially in developing countries.

AMMAN, March 4 (SPA) — The Board of Investment Tuesday met in a meeting in 1980 Wednesday under the chairmanship of Governor of Petroleum and Saudi representative at the company. The board discussed a number of Arab joint ventures at completing and supporting the chemical industries. It will also

approve the company's closing accounts for the fiscal year that ended on December 31, 1979, as well as the company's social activities report. Since its establishment in 1976, the company provided numerous loans totalling some U.S. \$2,457 billion for a number of Arab petroleum projects.

RIYADH, March 4 (SPA) — Minister of Communications Sheikh Hussain Mansouri left here for Najran to inspect ministry projects. Mansouri said before his departure that the ministry's building of roads in the Southern Region is aimed at providing the public comfortable, transport and to aid in marketing agricultural products, thereby encouraging an increased production. He is accompanied by Dr. Naser Al-Saloum, deputy minister of communications and other senior officials of the ministry.

JEDDAH, March 4 (SPA) — Acting Commander of the Western Province Major

Gen. Saleh Al-Sudaisi gave a lunch at the Sheraton Hotel Tuesday in honor of Oman's Deputy Defense Minister Col. Salem Abdullah Al-Ghazali. Earlier in the day, Ghazali and his party paid a visit to the Air Defense Academy and were briefed on its mission and accomplishments. He also conferred with Sudaisi at the Jeddah Command headquarters.

SANA, March 4 (SPA) — Saudi Ambassador to North Yemen Sheikh Trad Abdullah Al-Harethi conferred here Tuesday with Lt. Col. Mujahed Abu Shawarab, North Yemen's deputy premier for the interior. They reviewed means for fostering and developing bilateral relations.

RIYADH, March 4 (SPA) — Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah Tuesday discussed bilateral relations with British Ambassador to Saudi Arabia James Craig.

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## Princeton receives Saudi gift

PRINCETON, New Jersey (AP) — Saudi Arabia will give Princeton University five million dollars to support teaching and research in the life sciences at Princeton, University officials said.

Under a separate agreement, Princeton will help the University of Riyadh expand its own life sciences program.

Accepting the gift in Riyadh Sunday Princeton President William Bowen said, "we are deeply grateful for this significant contribution to the advancement of knowledge and for the trust that has been placed in Princeton University."

Bowen received the first \$ one million Sunday and the University of Riyadh, which is state-run, will be sending the rest over the next year.

The gift, which follows five years of negotiations, will be used to improve Princeton's modern biological laboratory and to support research in developmental biology and neurobiology.

A center for the study of life sciences will be established at Princeton.

The consulting agreement provides for the exchange of research and the admission of qualified Saudi students to Princeton.

## Scientific cooperation pact signed with China

RIYADH, March 4 (SPA) — A scientific cooperation agreement was concluded Tuesday between Saudi Arabia and Nationalist China.

The agreement was signed by Dr. Mansour Al-Turki, rector of Riyadh University, and the rector of the University of Nationalist China.

The ceremony was attended by a delegation of rectors of Chinese universities.

Turki said the agreement covers agricultural research, training and the exchange of teachers. Under the agreement, China University will become a liaison between Riyadh University and the other Chinese universities.

The agreement, he added, provides a framework for developing and undertaking joint research.

The Chinese delegation then toured Riyadh University and visited the faculties of engineering and agriculture. It lauded the high scientific standard Saudi Arabia has reached in those fields.

The delegation arrived here Monday for talks with senior officials at the Ministry of Higher Education and rectors of Saudi universities.

Meanwhile, the Board of Trustees of Imam Muhammad ibn Saud Islamic Universities met here Tuesday under Sheikh Hassan Abdullah Al-Sheikh, the minister of higher

education and chancellor of Saudi universities, to examine and adopt the university's annual report. It also approved the university draft budget for fiscal year 1980/81 and other procedural and financial issues.

## IRS comes to Jeddah

JEDDAH, March 4 — A representative of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service will visit American embassy, Jeddah on March 22, to assist those needing help with their U.S. tax returns. Service on a walk-in basis only will be available. The embassy said Tuesday.

It added that forms for 1979 tax returns were available, but anyone who has already received Form 1040 should bring it along to the interview.

## Mosque panel begins meeting

MECCA, March 4 (SPA) — Committees of the Higher World Council of Mosques' fifth session began work Monday at the headquarters of the General Secretariat of the Muslim World League here.

The committees are: The Committee for Palestine, Afghanistan, the Aqsa Mosque and the Ibrahim Mosque; The Committee of Fiqh and Dawa (call to Islam); The Financial Committee; and the Committee of Laws.

This session of the council was opened Sunday on behalf of King Khalid by acting governor of Mecca, Prince Saud ibn Abdul Mohsen. The five-day session is attended by 31 Islamic countries.

## Agency issues specifications

RIYADH, March 4 (SPA) — The Saudi Standards Organization has issued specifications for checking clay pipes, aluminum doors, food preservatives, jellies, acid and tomato paste. Traders of these items are to send their popins of the specifications back to the organization in two months.

## WEATHER

Temperatures will rise gradually in the southern and western regions. The weather will be fine during the day in the northern region, and cold at night. Parts of the central and eastern regions will be affected by cold winds.

Medium cloud will hang over the southern and western regions.

Winds will be moderate in northern, central and eastern regions. There will become active occasionally cause sand haze.

Conditions in the Red Sea will be moderate, and moderate to choppy in the Gulf.

Tuesday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca	31	16
Jeddah	31	16
Riyadh	18	08
Dhahran	17	13
Medina	19	08
Faif	19	09
Jizan	31	21
Hail	13	06
Turaif	12	02
Arar	16	01
Jouf	13	02
Abha	20	07

## Saudi Arabia's largest tennis event

### Khobar tournament features 394 entrants

By Geoff Gardner

DHAHRAN, March 4. — With 394 players, the 1980 Khobar Tennis Tournament is the largest ever held in Saudi Arabia and one of the larger amateur tournaments in the world.

Players ranking in ability from former national collegiate level competitors to those who have just picked up a racket last year will vie in different flights in mixed doubles, men's and women's doubles, and men's and women's singles.

Although the annual tournament is open to all entrants, almost all are recreational players from the Eastern Province. The two and one-half month long competition will be played at the University of Petroleum and Minerals, Northrup, and OGE tennis courts.



THE CHAMP: Paul Krieger displays his form as he warms up for the Khobar tennis tournament. Krieger is last year's champion and this year's first flight top seed in the tournament which features 394 players.

The success of the tournament, which last year drew 325 individuals, is indicative of a Saudi Arabian tennis boom. American, British, Dutch, Pakistani, Indian, Korean, Philippine, Saudi, French, German, and Scandinavian players, among others, are included in this year's draw.

"Tennis here is more international now," tournament chairman David Rogers said. "More companies are building tennis courts for employees' recreation because it is one of the easiest sports to play here. Many players at the middle and lower levels have entered because of the recreational aspect and to get competition outside of their own compounds. This is the only open tournament for players in the Eastern Province."

First flight top seeds in this year's tournament are 1979 winner Paul Krieger in men's singles; Diane Jackson in women's singles; Abu Bakr, UP tennis pro, and Shah Lal, Aramco tennis pro, in men's doubles; last year's winners Wendy Jones and Jackson in ladies' doubles; and Ted Copeland and Jones in mixed doubles.

More than the challenge of tournament competition and trophies are at stake for the top flight men's and ladies' winners. A Dhahran-London-USA-Dhahran air ticket is the prize for the top male, and a Dhahran-Switzerland-Dhahran ticket will be awarded to winning women.

Players are grouped into different levels according to their ability and past tournament record. In all, 30 flights even out the competition. Eleven men's singles flights compose the largest event. With many players entered in more than one event, the total number of entries is far greater than the 394 individual players.

The first open tournament was played years ago on a single court at the American Consulate General. Organized by Pan American Airways, the United States Military Mission, the American Consulate General, and the College of Petroleum and Minerals, as it was called then, it offered non-Aramco players a chance to play in a tournament. The total draw for the first year was 24 players. Since then the annual tournament has increased in numbers of players, sponsors, and prizes to become a prestigious event.

Weekend play begins Thursday with the

mixed doubles matches at the OGE tennis courts. Finals are March 7. Ladies' play follows with the doubles finals March 14, and singles finals March 21. Men's doubles conclude March 28. Men's singles finals culminate the tournament April 11 at the University of Petroleum and Minerals courts.

In Riyadh, 32 second round matches are scheduled with all the sixteen seeded players playing for the first time after byes for the first round. They will have to prove their skills to continue to the 3rd round. Bosch No. 1 seed, will have an easy second round as his opponent not able to play, and Bosch will therefore play his first match in this tournament on Friday March 7 at 5 p.m. on court 1 against the winner of the Sakr/Hargreaves match.



THE CHALLENGER: Abu Bakr is considered the man most likely to upset Paul Krieger and win the Khobar tournament. Bakr is seeded second in the top flight singles. However, Bakr and his partner, Shah Lal are the first flight top seeded men's doubles team.

## Al Laheq wins Turaif Prize

### Al Ferrousseya holds fourth race

RIYADH, March 4 (SPA) — Al-Ferrousseya (racing) Club held its fourth event in the season Monday afternoon at Al-Malaz race track.

The first six-furlong beginners horse race for the SR9,000 Tabuk prize was won by Haddaj of Prince Turki ibn Baodad ibo Khaled.

Second place Al-Sheikh belonging to Prince Faisal ibo Khaled ibo Abdul Aziz. Third place, owner: Prince Saud ibo Muhammad ibo Abdul Aziz. Fourth: Al-Harsh (Fugitive) — owner: Haddaj ibo Abdul Aziz. Fifth: Al-Ahmar — owner: Lady Nizar ibo Al-Jaloud.

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## New traffic rules restricting trucks begin in Dammam

DA MAM, March 4 (SPA) — The new traffic rules prohibiting trucks and heavy vehicles from driving outside Dammam and Hofuf for two and a half hours starting at 6 a.m. daily were enforced here Saturday.

The director of the Traffic Department of the Eastern Province, Col. Attallah Al-Salem, said Monday that the aim of the new rules is to ease traffic jams caused by trucks, accidents and hindering pedestrians.

Salem called on the public to drive wisely, cooperate with the traffic officers and obtain a driving license and car registration documents as soon as possible for those who do not have them.

The department will carry out intensive checking campaigns on main roads leading to and from towns in the area, he said.

TRAINING: The Public Security Institute training personnel on traffic management. A one-year course opened at the institute in Riyadh this week.

## Sonoda leaves after Kingdom visit

RIYADH, March 4 (Agencies) — Japanese special middle East envoy Sunao Sonoda ended a three-day visit to Saudi Arabia Tuesday.

Sonoda was seen off at Riyadh Airport by Saudi Planning Minister Sheikh Hisham Nazer.

During his visit he also met with Saudi Oil

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## Israeli recession blamed

## West Bank facing economic depression

TEL AVIV, March 4 (R) — The occupied West Bank faces an economic depression with rising unemployment, businesses going bankrupt and municipalities on the verge of collapse, according to Arab business sources.

The major reason for the slump is the recession affecting the Israeli economy.

The sources estimated that 5-7,000 workers from the West Bank who had been employed in Israel have been dismissed in the past four or five months.

On Saturday the United Nations passed a resolution calling on Israel to dismantle its settlements in occupied Arab territories. U.S. officials in Washington said the vote was prompted partly by Israel's West Bank settlements.

Israeli trade and industry have also been

## Qaddafi urges Arabs to ban Egypt planes

BEIRUT, March 4 (R) — Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi has called on Arab states to close their airports to Egyptian planes following the normalization of Cairo's relations with Israel, the Libyan news agency Jana reported Monday.

Col. Qaddafi was quoted as saying he would urge the Arab states to destroy the airports if their government did not bar Egyptian aircraft.

Qaddafi was speaking at a mass rally in Tripoli Sunday night marking the third anniversary of the proclamation of the Libyan Jamahiriyyah (people's republic), the agency monitored in Beirut said.

"Those who open their airports to Egyptian planes are thereby opening a life-line to the Zionist enemy across Egypt."

"They should end this. Otherwise we shall address the masses who are capable of destroying the airports used by Egyptian planes," Qaddafi said.

## Kosygin sends note to Aden premier

BAHRAIN, March 4 (R) — Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin has written to South Yemen's Prime Minister Ali Nasser Muhammad concerning the two countries' bilateral relations, the Gulf News agency reported from Aden Monday.

It said Soviet Ambassador Felix Fedotov called on Muhammad Monday to deliver the letter.

South Yemen signed a 20-year treaty of friendship with the Soviet Union last year.

In another development, a Kuwaiti newspaper said Monday the United Arab Emirates (UAE) would soon establish diplomatic relations with South Yemen.

As *Siyassa* quoted well-placed sources in Abu Dhabi as saying that South Yemeni Pres-

ident Abdul-Fattah Ismail would also soon take up an invitation from UAE president Sheikh Zayed Ben Sultan Al-Nahayan to visit the Emirates.

The paper said the moves were being arranged by a delegation which arrived in Abu Dhabi Sunday led by Abdullah Ahmad Ghanem, a member of South Yemen's presidential council.

South Yemen's charge d'affaires in Kuwait, Muhammad Al-Behl, would not comment on the report but told Reuters Ghanem had delivered a letter from President Ismail to Sheikh Zayed concerning bilateral relations and current Arab developments.

UAE officials were not immediately available for comment.

The West Bank municipalities are in a particularly difficult financial situation, Bethlehem Mayor Elias Freij told Reuters his town was running a monthly deficit of \$250,000.

Most municipal services have been frozen and we are on the verge of total paralysis," he said.

The mayors of the major West Bank towns went to Amman last week to discuss the financial crisis affecting their towns with Jordanian and Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) officials.

Official Israeli figures said 47,000 West Bankers were working in Israel before the recession started, though the true number was said to be nearer 70,000. Many of the workers are taken on as unskilled casual labor and therefore do not appear in the statistics.

The situation has been aggravated by the policy of the Arab states not to accept workers from the West Bank unless they possess vital skills, the sources said.

"The Arab states want the workers to remain on the West Bank and continue the political struggle," the sources added.

A delegation from the East Jerusalem Chamber of Commerce met Hurvitz last month to discuss their difficulties with him.

They asked him to consider easing the tax burden on Palestinian businesses. Most Palestinian businessmen do not keep proper books and say that the Israeli tax authorities harass them into paying excessive taxes.

Palestinian farmers also complain they are no longer allowed to supply the East Jerusalem market. Israel does not regard East Jerusalem as occupied territory but as part of the state of Israel. Residents are forced to buy agricultural products from Israeli suppliers and pay a far higher price than that charged by West Bank farmers.

Gen. Zia ul-Haq

## Zia briefs banned politicians on situation

RAWALPINDI, March 4 (R) — Pakistani President Gen. Zia ul-Haq, met leaders of some of Pakistan's banned political parties Monday to inform them of the situation facing the country following the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

Zia had talks with 11 prominent political figures from Baluchistan province. Baluchistan borders both Iran and Afghanistan and was the scene of demonstrations against the government of executed former Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto between 1973 and 1975.

On Sunday, Zia met leaders of the Jamaat-i-Islami and Jamiat Ulema-i-Pakistan parties.

Zia was due to meet more than a dozen leaders Tuesday, informed sources said.

All Pakistan's political parties were banned by Zia in October 1979.

On Monday, Zia met George Fernandes, a former Indian minister for industries.

Pakistan Foreign Ministry Secretary S. Shah Nawaz attended the meeting.

## Prince Hassan meets Iraq chief

BAGHDAD, March 4 (R) — Iraqi President Saddam Hussein Monday conferred with visiting Crown Prince Hassan of Jordan on the pan-Arab charter proposed by Iraq. The Iraqi News Agency said Prince Hassan had affirmed his country's support for the charter.

Prince Hassan arrived in Baghdad Sunday in the course of a tour which also took him to Kuwait and Qatar.

The proposed charter opposes the use of force in resolving inter-Arab differences and the presence of foreign troops or bases on Arab soil.

## Commandos kill Israelis

DAVASCUS, March 4 (R) — Palestinian commandos said Monday they killed or wounded an undetermined number of Israelis with incendiary and explosive time bombs Sunday night.

The Palestine news agency Wafa quoted a commando spokesman as saying the bombs set fire to timber depots at Herzlia, north of Tel Aviv.

The blaze extended to nearby plants and caused heavy material damage and an undetermined number of casualties, he said.

The spokesman said the commandos returned safely to their base inside Israel.

## U.S., West Germany discuss aid to Turkey

WASHINGTON, March 4 (R) — West German Finance Minister Hans Matthöfer began a series of talks Monday with U.S. officials on a proposed international aid package for Turkey.

He conferred with Henry Owen of the White House staff and with Paul Volcker, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, the nation's central bank. No details were given about the discussions.

Matthöfer, who arrived Sunday night, was due to meet Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, Treasury Secretary William Miller and key congressmen Tuesday.

## Iraq to get enriched uranium from France

PARIS, March 4 (R) — France will supply Iraq with highly enriched uranium fuel for an atomic research reactor under construction outside Baghdad, the French Atomic Energy Commission has said.

The new 70-megawatt Osiris-type reactor, known as Osiraq, will replace one that saboteurs blew up in the Seyne-Sur-Mer naval construction yard near Toulon, in southern France, last year, it said.

"France has decided to supply Iraq with an experimental nuclear reactor of the Osiris type and we must therefore provide the fuel that goes with it," the commission said Monday.

In an exception to its nuclear non-proliferation policy, the French government has decided to go through with the sale of a research reactor and 93 per cent enriched weapons-grade uranium supplies, officials said.

However, it would insist on strict controls over export of nuclear equipment to prevent the proliferation of nuclear weapons.

Iraq will run on the highly enriched uranium which produces plutonium fuel that could be used for the manufacture of atomic weapons.

Although France has not signed the non-proliferation treaty, President Giscard d'Estaing has decided to act as though it had fully subscribed to it.

The contract with Iraq was signed in 1976, two years before Giscard decided to tighten all nuclear exports.

French officials said tightest security precautions had been taken through the Vienna-based Atomic International Energy (AIE) Commission.

## Amman resumes business after snowfall paralysis

AMMAN, March 4 (AP) — Amman Airport and many businesses in the Jordanian capital reopened Tuesday after being forced to close during a three-day snowfall described as the worst in 30 years.

The snow felled power lines and trees, blocked roads and resulted in five accidental deaths, officials said. They said the snow drifted to depths of 30 inches in some areas.

Officials said King Hussein was supervising the clean-up operation that employed heavy machinery to plow streets in the capital. Jordanian soldiers, police and civil defense personnel were aiding people in isolated areas.



MARCH: Thousands of Iranian workers march past the U.S. embassy in Tehran last week to show support for the students holding 50 Americans hostage.

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## Binary agent endorsed by Pentagon Congress learns of chemical bomb

WASHINGTON, March 4 (AP) — The U.S. Department of Defense has moved a step closer toward production of a chemical warfare agent once banned by Congress, a high-ranking defense official disclosed. The official said Pentagon Resource Chief William Perry signed a memo last week directing the Army and Navy to complete the design of a facility to produce the agent — known as binary chemicals — and to draw up a production schedule for the facility.

Congress still would have to authorize actual production of the agent.

Perry ordered the facility's design and con-

struction schedule "so it can be completed gradually as the authorization is received," the official said.

Binary chemicals consist of two chemical agents that are harmless by themselves, but become toxic when mixed. They would be used in bombs and rocket shells, and would become mixed when the rocket or bomb exploded.

Congress refused in 1974 and 1975 to authorize money to produce binary weapons last year, an army request for the program was turned down by the Defense Department.

### Violence is considered

## South Africa black movement re-emerging

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, March 4 (AP) — Militants are reviving the black consciousness movement, more than three years after it was crushed by police. But this time the militants are keeping their distance from white liberals and foreigners, their traditional allies.

### Prem officially appointed

## Thai's new head recognized

BANGKOK, Thailand, March 4 (AP) — General Prem Tinsulanond was officially confirmed as Thailand's Prime Minister, and said he would form his cabinet within 15 days.

The official government radio said King Bhumipol Adulyadej signed a decree approving the appointment earlier Monday at the Phang Palace in the northern province of Chiang Mai.

The announcement said Gen. Prem has been trusted by the king to lead the country's new government following the resignation of premier Chuanan last Friday.

The 59-year-old career military officer, who entered the political scene three years ago, was elected earlier Monday by the Thai Parliament, defeating former Prime Minister Kukrit Pramoj by a 395 to 80 vote.

## Shuffle emphasizes solar energy

WASHINGTON, March 4, (AP) — The U.S. Energy Department, trying to put more emphasis on its solar energy effort, announced a reorganization Monday of the agency's conservation and solar energy programs.

Dr. Thomas E. Stelson, assistant secretary for conservation and solar energy, said the new organization would place all solar prog-

ram in the department in one office and would be an "important step towards realizing the administration's solar energy goals for the year 2000."

Stelson said he "had no doubt" U.S. President Jimmy Carter's goal of having 20 per cent of the nation's energy needs met by solar and other renewable sources by 2000 will be met. In fact, the said, 30 per cent was a possible figure.

The army has been conducting research on binary chemicals for some time.

Defense Secretary Harold Brown told Congress in January the Pentagon was designing a facility to build binary chemical bombs, warheads and projectiles.

Perry's memo — ordering completion of the design and a construction schedule — carries the decision a step further.

The disclosure was made by Perry J. Flakas, Deputy Assistant Defense Secretary, in testimony before two Senate subcommittees on the Pentagon's proposed construction program for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1.

own so we can negotiate with whites as equals," said George Wachope, a black university lecturer and publicity secretary of the Azania People's Organization.

Recent disclosures of security police infiltration of white and anti-apartheid groups, both local and foreign, were not likely to enhance the liberal-black relationship.

The decade-old non-violent philosophy of black consciousness has been rejected by increasing numbers of young blacks who believe violence is the only way to overthrow white rule.

The bold attack on a Pretoria bank by three black insurgents in January was privately hailed by many radical blacks as the beginning of a war similar to the seven-year conflict that has ended white rule in neighboring Rhodesia. The three insurgents and two white hostages died in the guerrillas' vain bid to win the release of political prisoners. All three insurgents were given hero's funerals in Soweto, Johannesburg's black ghetto.

Officially, black consciousness groups continue to disavow violence. Wachope's Azapo was one of a number of new organizations formed in the last 18 months to replace groups outlawed by police in a crackdown on black dissidents in 1977. Azapo replaces Steve Biko's banned Black People's Convention. Biko, father of the black consciousness movement, died of unexplained head injuries while in police custody.

A cardinal principle of Biko's movement was the rejection of the government's policy of arbitrarily making blacks citizens of tribal homelands, thus depriving them of South African citizenship.

Other new black consciousness groups are: The Writer's Association of South Africa, the Soweto Civic Association and two student groups called the Congress of South African Students and the Azania Students' Organization.



WINNER: Veteran actor Jimmy Stewart was honored by the American Film Institute with the Life Achievement Award.

## Journalist honored by S. Koreans

SEOUL, South Korea, March 4 (AP) — Former President Yun Po-Sun led more than 200 civil rights activists in mourning the death of a Korean journalist they called a victim of the late president Park Chung-Hee's ruthless press suppression.

The journalist was Ahn Jong-Pil, who served one year in prison for opposing Park's press control. He was released following Park's assassination last Oct. 26. He died last Friday of Cancer. Speaker after speaker at the two-hour funeral services at Seoul National University hospital eulogized what they called the 43-year old newsman's unflinching fight for freedom of the press at the risk of his life.

The Rev. Lee Hae-Dong, who officiated at the funeral, said that Ahn's death was a murder by President Park's dictatorial policy.

For the past five years, Ahn had led a group of about 120 newsmen who formed a struggle committee for press freedom after they were dismissed en masse by the newspaper Dong-A Ilbo for opposing Park's press policy.

To press for their dismissals, the Park government used its influence to cut off the outspoken newspaper's advertising revenues for months.

This led to a nationwide campaign by its readers and their friends to buy advertising space in the paper to keep it from bankruptcy. Contributions also came from abroad.

### Belittles British economics

## Thatcher condemns Soviets

LONDON, March 4 (AP) — British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said the Soviet Union is "the main external threat" to the British way of life while the nation's internal ills stem from economic illusions that have "smothered our moral sense."

Repeating anti-Soviet themes that have earned her the nickname "the Iron Lady" in the Soviet press, Thatcher on Monday night commented on the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan.

"The Soviet Union is a totalitarian power greater in military strength than was Nazi Germany at the height of the last war."

"We are seeing in Afghanistan the fulfillment of the warnings which the far-sighted among us have been seeking to give for several years. The threat which the Soviet Union poses indirectly to the West's sources of energy in the Middle East is obvious."

Thatcher was delivering a memorial lecture marking the first anniversary of the assassination of Airey Neave, World War II hero and spokesman on strife-torn Northern Ireland for Thatcher's conservative party.

Guerrillas of the Irish National Liberation army claimed responsibility for Neave's death.

On Britain's internal ills, Thatcher slam-

med "the illusion that government can be a universal provider, and yet society still stay free and prosperous; the illusion that government can print money and yet the nation still have sound money, the illusion that every loss can be covered by a subsidy; the illusion that we can break the link between reward and effort, and still get the effort, the illusion that basic economic laws can somehow be suspended because we are British."

Other remarks regarding the Soviet when U.S. Defense Secretary Harold Brown told key congressmen Monday that Monday denial of money to start peacetime draft registration would send the Soviet Union an "especially negative signal" on U.S. resolve to safeguard vital American interests.

Administration sources said Brown used this argument at a White House session with members of the House of Representatives appropriations committee in an effort to persuade them to overturn a subcommittee vote last week to withhold funds for that purpose.

Brown also told the committee members that, beyond serving as a symbol of U.S. will, peacetime registration would save about three months in sending the first draftees to military training bases in the event of an emergency mobilization.

### 'Big Fish' in KGB

## Soviet double-agent unveiled

WASHINGTON, March 4, (R) — Speaking from behind a screen in FBI headquarters, a man who said he was a former Soviet spy has told reporters his missions included sabotaging a U.S. space shot.

Only the silhouette of the seated man, described by the FBI as "a big fish" in the KGB-secret police, could be seen behind the opaque glass screen.

It was the first time the FBI had staged such a meeting between reporters and a self-confessed Soviet spy, FBI officials said.

Col. Rudolph Hermann — he said that was the code name he received when the KGB recruited him 25 years ago — declared that his task included taking charge of the Soviet espionage network in the United States in the event of a break in U.S.-Soviet ties.

In a thick east European accent, he said he entered the United States illegally 11 years ago after six years in Canada.

He gave no details of his work but said he decided to cooperate with U.S. Intelligence and become a double agent after his arrest. The FBI would not say when this occurred.

An FBI spokesman declined to give a specific reason for Col. Hermann's appearance at a time when U.S. Soviet ties are at a low because of the Soviet incursion into Afghanistan.

Spokesman Homer Boynton said only that

the FBI believed the American public would like to know about Soviet espionage activities in the United States.

He said the agency was at a crucial stage in resending Col. Hermann, and once he assumed a new identity as a private citizen it would be too late to make him available to reporters for questioning.

In his extraordinary press conference, Col. Hermann said that when he arrived in the United States he set himself up in fashionable Westchester County, in New York state, as a freelance photographer and owned a lucrative photo business.

He said his primary assignment was to pass politically significant information to the KGB, work with other Soviet Agents and pick hiding places for intelligence information.

At one point he said he got close to the associates of an unsuccessful presidential candidate. He declined to give any other details other than to say that "he (the candidate) was never aware that I was closely following his entourage."

Hermann said he received instructions by coded radio message. "I supplied information about the location of some people in the United States — I revealed many names (to the KGB)," he said. "I believe I supplied the information which could be called detrimental to the interest of the United States."

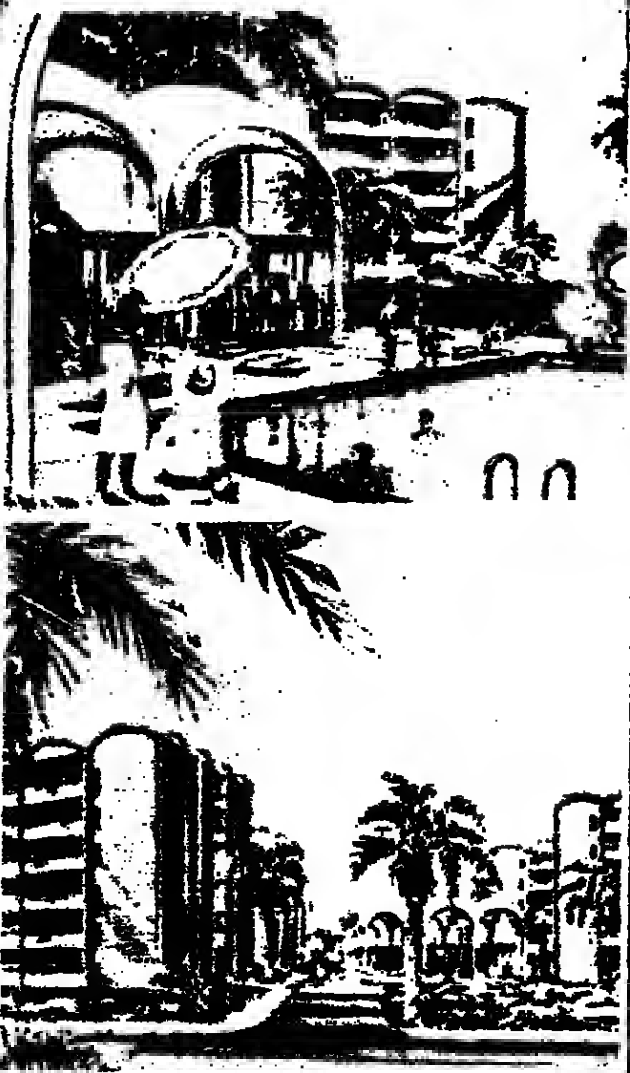
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The French recognition is an important sign on the long road to the full restoration of Arab rights. It did not just happen, but was the outcome of sustained and careful lobbying; which has now to be applied with the same persistence and care to other countries, until the aggressor is finally isolated and made to heed the will of the international community.

• "The vermin and cockroach problem was severe," said Matthew Myers, a lawyer with the National Prison Project, who earlier toured the jail.

Political observers watch keenly the next move of Delhi on the chess board of South Asia. Current focus over India by way of visits from VIP is interpreted, therefore, as a move to make India use its good offices with Moscow in securing a pullout from

In a broad front-page story, *Al Riyadh* said the Egyptian government has resorted to an evasive attitude to mislead its people. In another story, it said that President Elias Sarkis of Lebanon has sent his Foreign Minister to Damascus to inform the Syrians about the outcome of consultations on reconciliation among the disputing parties.

A majority of newspapers gave front-page highlight to France's recognition of the Palestinian right to self-determination. *Al Medina* said in a front-page story that SSR8 million have been collected so far for the Afghan Muslim freedom-fighters. *Al Yom* gave front-page prominence to the United Arab Emirates' Oil Minister's statement that the oil reserves in the UAE were much more than reported by the media.

*Al Medina* devoted its editorial to commenting on the Iranian President's interview, and said that Saudi Arabia has made Islamic solidarity a cornerstone

its policy and it prefers to ignore defamatory remarks by others. The paper said that Iran cannot show as much concern for Islam and Muslims as Saudi Arabia has been doing for Islam. Iran has only recently started taking interest in Islamic issues while Saudi Arabia has been serving the cause of Islam for over half a century.

President Bani-Sadr's call to the states of the region to cooperate with him against Western influence exceeds the limits of national sovereignty which he himself should not have transgressed, said the paper. It added that the Kingdom's relations were always based on mutual respect. Iran's present efforts to create a democracy and enforce it in the country come in the wake of experiences, errors and bloodshed, and Iran's friends would wish it overcome the present ideal, it said.

The paper added that "we wish to counsel the Iranian President not to gather information about Saudi Arabia and its people

through a third source," which only gives distorted reports. Saudi Arabia is keen to maintain brotherly relations with Islamic states. It has maintained its ties with Iran despite the fact that the Iranian government is financing two official bodies whose only task is to abuse the kingdom and to spread misleading reports about it. "What we want from our Muslim brothers in Iran is to respect us as we respect them, and to try to consolidate the bonds of brotherliness and friendship. They are expected to do this if they really are interested in becoming an Islamic nation on the basis of solidarity and cooperation," concluded the paper.

In an editorial, *Al Jazireh* described the French recognition of the Palestinian right to self-determination as a "big step." The paper tried to convince France that the issue of Palestine was not a case of refugees but of a people who ought to be given the right to determine their destiny. The

Commenting on the U.N. Security Council resolution to condemn the Israeli policy of Jewish settlements, *Al Riyadh* said Israel was shocked by Washington's support for the resolution. The paper added that Israel became a victim of its own delusion when it linked the voice of the U.S. Jews to its policy of settlements. Israel must have understood by now that there exists a wide gap between its interests and those of the United States.



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# he lore and lure of Oriental carpets

By Jean Grant

One of the first art objects from the Middle East to gain favor in the West — and to be treasured by foreigners — was the carpet. Thrown across a room, it was a table or hung like a tapestry on a wall. Oriental rugs brought warmth and coziness to the cold, stone houses of the Middle East.

Now it is often Middle Eastern oil, not the carpet, that keeps out the cold of a winter's night, but Western eyes still delight in the ease of design and psychedelic palette of Oriental carpets.

In the past 5 years have seen a rebirth of interest in Oriental carpets both in the USA and Europe. Expatriates in the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabia have joined in the enthusiasm.

President of the New York Rug Society, Sarah Sherrill, recently visited Aramco as throughout the province on a 2-week tour. Wherever she went — from Suban to Dhahran to the remote outpost of Iyyab — addressing well over 700 people she attracted standing room-only crowds.

Her work as editor of the prestigious magazine *Antiques* has required Ms. Sherrill to study many art forms throughout the world. She no longer recalls exactly what drew her attention to Oriental rugs. She says it has been an attitude towards making of everyday objects. Everything, she says, was thought worthy of the highest craftsmanship, whether it was bags to hold salt or rags to grace a mosque. The refusal to regard the decorative arts to second-class status is with regard to the fine arts inspired her for tribal weaving.

Sherrill's enthusiasm has been shared by others down through the centuries. In the 19th century American painter, James Still, believed that the renowned carpet of the mosque of Ardebil, now housed at the Victoria and Albert Museum in London, was worth all the paintings ever painted.

The central medallion of the 16th century blue-toned carpet reflects the inside of the mosque dome; mosque lamps are echoed in the rug's quarter medallions. The patterns exist not just at one level, but as a series of different designs superimposed one on top of another, whose endlessly repeating motifs have religious connotation.

While the tradition of tribal rug-making still lives on, that of the lavish court rugs, like the Ardebil, has died out. These impressive gifts to courtiers and foreign rulers were intended, says Sherrill, as "a clear-cut political statement," an indication of the ruler's might and opulence. The motifs in court rugs differ from those of traditional rugs. Religious liberties were taken in representing human and animal forms: we find royal hunts portrayed, with trained cheetahs and falcons, animals fighting, or as in one 16th century Kashan rug, a king strangling a lion with his bare hands.

The golden age of the Persian court rug was the 16th-17th century under the Safavid dynasty. Later when invasions from Afghanistan disrupted local government, their production tapered off.

Carpets, whether woven for palace or tent, have always been valued in the Middle East.

*Carpets, at right and bottom left some 100 years old, are from a Dhahran private collection.*

"for sheer list of the eye, and the luxurious enticements of rhythm, splendor, and potency."

Nomadic carpets were the first to be created. The Turkic nomads who are credited with the invention of rug-weaving learned the designs at their mothers' knees and improvised within the tradition. When carpets wore out, they were thrown away and new ones made. Few early ones remain. The rugged nomads had few contacts with the outside world, and they sold few carpets to the local souks. From Turkic areas, the craft spread to Persia and the Caucasus, wherever sheep grazed and cold winters required warm covers.

How old is carpet weaving? Remnants of one carpet dating back 2,500 years have been found in central Asia. The earliest complete carpet yet discovered lay in a 5th century B.C. tomb. On the Pasargadae, another early carpet, is woven a remarkable border of reindeer and horsemen with griffin-like creatures in the field. The sophistication of its design indicates that a long tradition of weaving preceded it. Even the classical knots of Oriental carpets — the Ghiordes (or symmetrical) and the Senna (or asymmetrical) — go back to the origins of carpet weaving in the Middle East.

The twilight of this noble tradition began only with the advent of synthetic dyes in the late 19th century. These aniline products were much easier and quicker to use than those which were compounded from vegetables, insects, and shellfish; however, the new colors had little of the radiance of these natural dyes.

Tribesmen today continue to make carpets in their dome-shaped tents where a carpet still serves as a door flap. Their life style persists down through the centuries; living three generations to a tent, the nomads trek from winter to summer pastures, although now the trip is more likely to be made in trucks than on donkey back. Sherrill bought several of her own carpets directly from tribesmen in four adventure-packed trips to these same tribal areas.

As carpet export flourished, a third class of artisans joined the tribal and court rug-makers: urban carpet-weavers adapted and simplified the designs from the court rugs. These commercial artisans copied designs precisely, even if a bit mechanically, from a cartoon on graph paper. Their wares were exported to the West, which in the 19th century inundated this "cottage industry" with orders.

Much of the history of Oriental carpets is inextricably bound up with the rise and spread of Islam, a faith which inspired a unique form of carpet: the prayer carpet with its directional design dictated by the incorporation into the carpet of a "mihrab" arch. Since Islam requires believers to pray on a clean area, the small prayer rug fulfills a religious need. From Islam, too, the stricture against representing human or animal forms encouraged a diversity of geometrical forms. Arabic calligraphy also gave rise to the so-called Kufic borders on many carpets. The decorative script was not easily decipherable, but its presence lent prestige to the carpet.

Konya, the Seljuk capital during the 13th century, was one of the great early centers of rug making. Later the Ottomans, a Turkic tribe which ruled all Asia Minor in the 16th century, exported the skill to Egypt. The Egyptians then had few sheep in their sultry country, but they quickly learned the craft and added the papyrus leaf to the Turkish motifs. These Egyptian carpets are strikingly individual in their choice of colors, which consist principally of reds and greens. Until the middle of the 16th century, Egyptian rugs were a match in beauty and intricacy of design for the finest of the great carpets of the Safavid period.

From 1500 on, the Safavids with their capital at Isfahan dominated the craft for two centuries. Like the Seljuks, they, too, exported their skills, this time to India. Although the subcontinent's climate was as hot as Egypt's, the Moghul princes, descended from Timur of Samarkand, eagerly imported Persian craftsmen. Garden themes, particularly refreshing in such a torrid country, were introduced in their carpets. Rugs reproduced the formal geometric layout of the Indian garden with its water falls, square beds of naturalistic flowers in lavish color, and water channels.

Lahore, Agra, and Jaipur became the centers of Indian rug-making. Most of the master-craftsmen were Muslim; even today carpet-making in India is mainly done by Muslims rather than Hindus.

Many of the Indian carpets used silk rather than wool for its sheen and lustre. Unfortunately,

silks, silk fades. The silver threads woven into some Indian carpets have tarnished to a neutral gray, resulting in a less brilliant appearance than they originally possessed.

In India the emphasis became increasingly commercial. Inferior rugs of coarse wool were produced quickly and exported to Europe in the belief that the Westerners couldn't tell the difference between Tiffany and Woolworth quality.

Pile rugs have not figured in Saudi weaving although the kilim-like production in the Arabian peninsula is of great interest in its own right and is more suitable for tent coverings in a warm climate.

Mongolian conquerors brought the rug to China. The native Chinese, who preferred silk textiles, despised these monstrous tent coverings, suitable in their opinion only for "an outlandish way of life." In the late 17th century, however, a Jesuit observer recorded that a Chinese emperor, asked for a demonstration of carpet weaving. When the Chinese took up carpet making, they adapted it to their tastes with more subdued designs and colors — blue, cream, and pale yellow and an expanded play of symbolism, some of which found its way into Persian and Caucasian carpets.

Because Oriental carpets reached their zenith in Muslim countries, the choice of names by Western dealers for certain common motifs is especially inappropriate: a vine

pattern became known as the "running dog motif" while the stylized tulip design patterned after the Turks' favorite flower was designated as the "wine cup motif."

Other misnomers have to do with the names of the carpets themselves. Bokhara and Shiraz carpets, for instance, originate neither in Bokhara or Shiraz. These were the market towns where the neighboring tribes traded their carpets with the result that the name of the town became attached to the carpets.

Some of the rugs are even named after the Western artists in whose paintings they appear. 15th and 16th century early Anatolian carpets are thus called "Holbeins" while carpets portrayed in the paintings of the 16th century Italian artist, Lorenzo Lotto, bear his name rather than that of the tribe which knotted them.

Old paintings can be useful in dating carpets. Carpets found in paintings by Holbein are known to have existed in the 16th century. Famous portraits of George Washington (1796) and King Henry VIII of England which show the statesmen astride Oriental carpets tell which carpets were then prized.

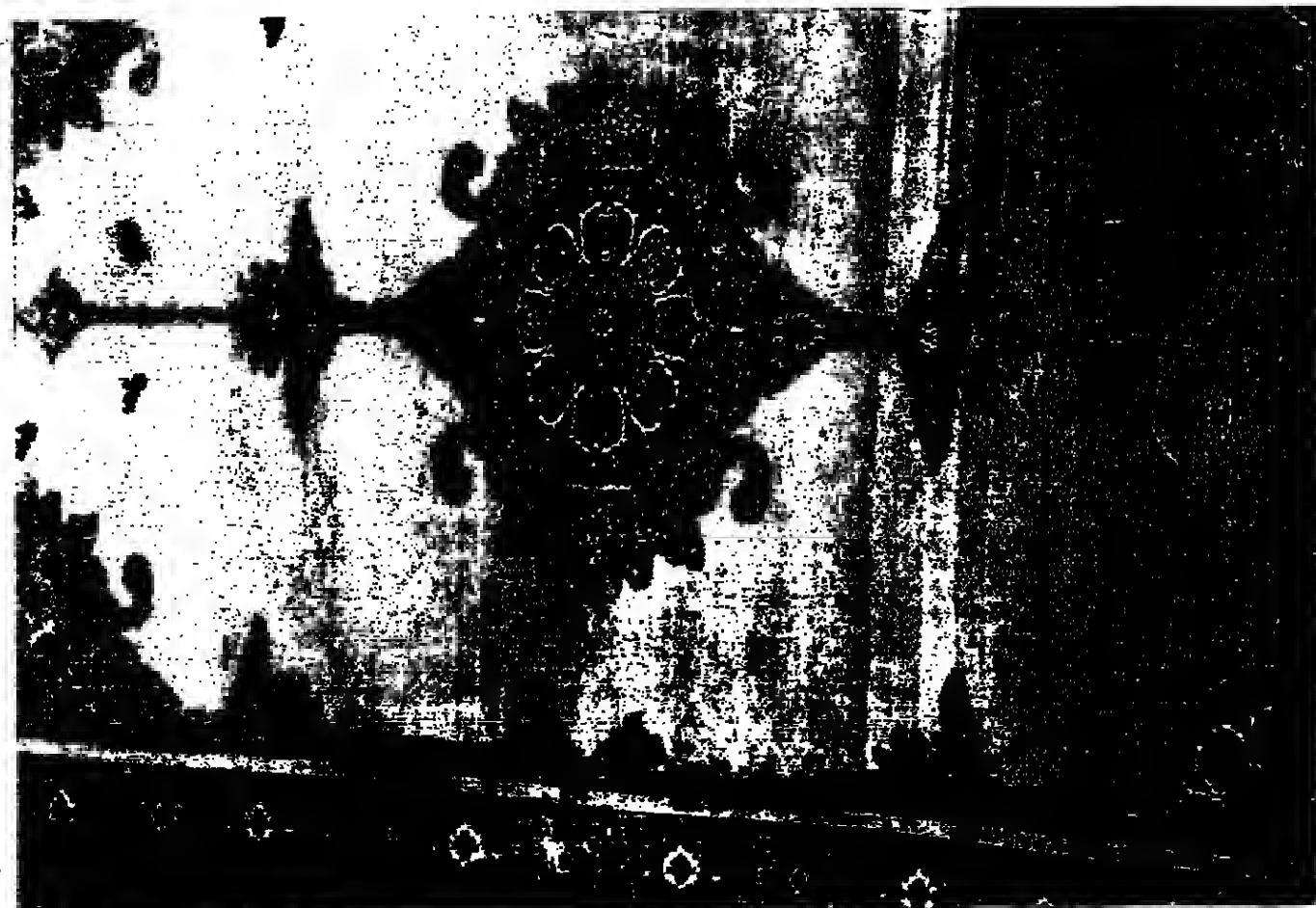
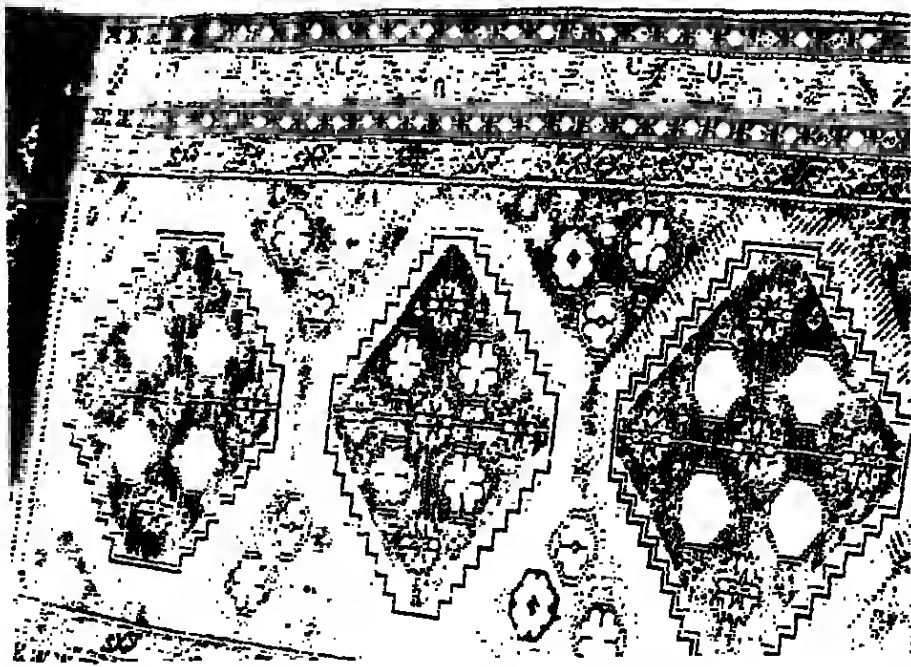
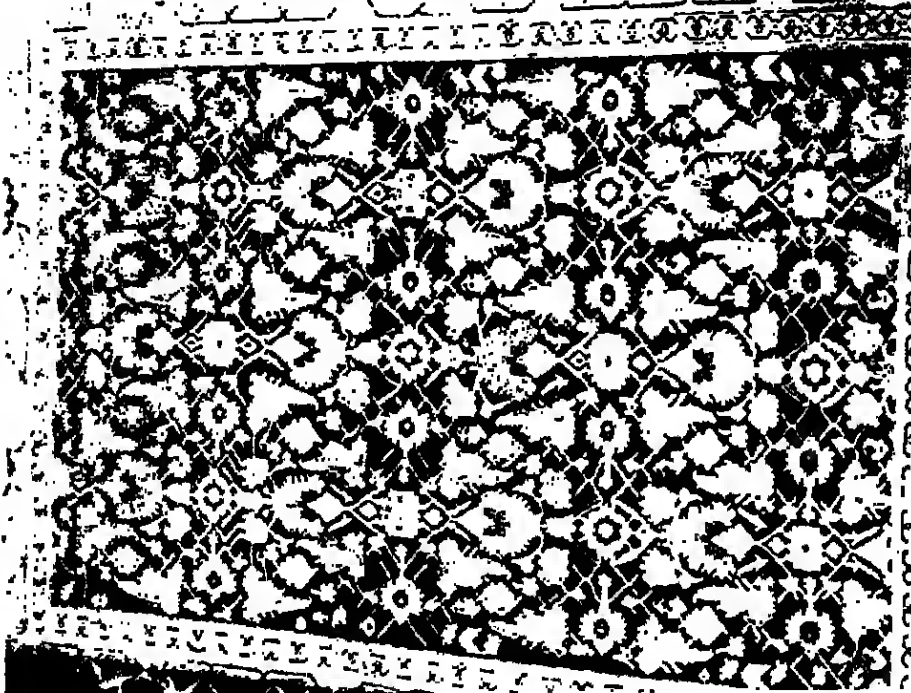
"Too much emphasis is put on dating carpets," argues Sherrill. Precise age in 19th and 20th century carpets cannot usually be determined. Well-cared-for carpets appear younger than their years while more recent ones can look older because they are so dilapidated.

And to think that these universal works of art began with humble sheep! First the wool is sheared, then carded so that the fibers all go in the same direction, then spun on any of several types of spindle before being dyed. Finally it is ready for the loom. The ground loom is easier to transport, and it is the customary choice of the tribesmen; village workers sit at the vertical loom which makes the work easier on the spinal cord. Once the wool has reached the loom, a carpet is only many thousands of tiny knots away.

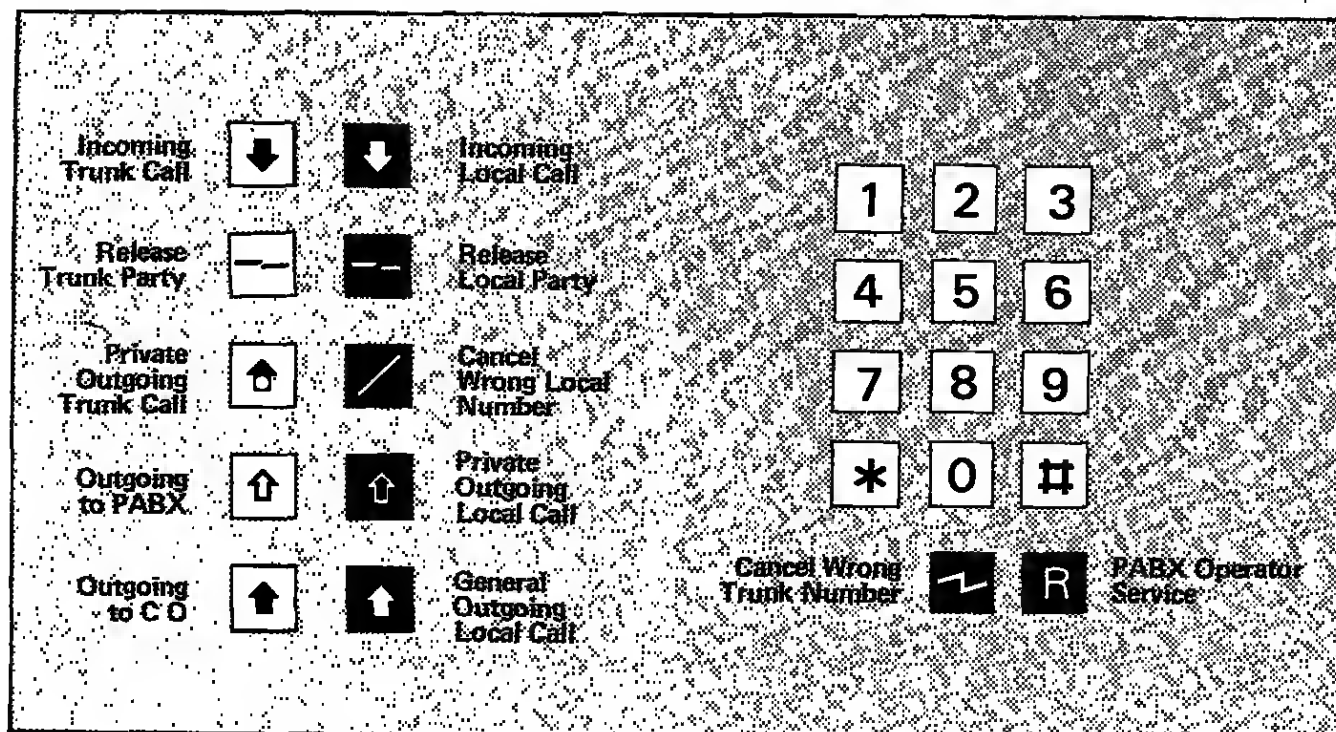
New York and London are presently the best places to buy carpets. Of the two cities, Sherrill believes New York offers more reasonable prices. In either city, prices at auction are one-half the retail price.

The value of a carpet depends, in part, on the quantity of wool used in it and the hours of labor consumed in its weaving. Finely woven carpets, demanding more wool and time than coarser ones, are naturally more expensive. Silk carpets cost more than wool carpets because silk is rare and relatively expensive. The laws of supply and demand determine that older carpets in good condition command higher prices than newer varieties. Nonetheless, newer carpets can often hold their own.

"Carpets of today have not lost the creativity of old," Sherrill told *Arab News*. "In design and weaving, they stand up quite well to the old ones. Only in the colors will you notice the difference."



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## Private firms successful in steel strike rebellion

LONDON, March 4 (AP) — Most of Britain's private steel firms and the 15,000 workers they employ were back at work Monday after a successful rebellion against steel union bosses leading a national strike.

But the eight-week-old strike by 110,000 steelmen in the state-run sector of the industry goes on. And a treasury official told Parliament Monday that manufacturing output has been down 3½ per cent since the start of the year, "largely because of lost production in the steel industry."

Only a few private companies in the West Midlands were still at a standstill and the British Independent Steel Producers Association said in a statement, "The strike affecting us has virtually collapsed. We don't think there will be any private firms not working by later this week."

"We have been fighting hard for the past six weeks to drag ourselves out of this dispute which had nothing to do with us. Now we have done it, but at a tremendous cost."

The strike, which started Jan. 2, is against only the ailing, state-owned British Steel Corp., which makes some 85 per cent of Britain's steel, and not against the more prosperous private firms.

But after it started, the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, one of the two main labor unions involved in the dispute, called on its members in the private sector of the industry to join the strike. The union's aim was to make the already crippling dispute 100 per cent effective.

Many steel workers in the private sector reluctantly obeyed the union call but others rebelled, defied hundreds of jeering strike pickets and stayed at work.

The rebellion, backed by increasing demands by other steel workers employed by private firms for a return to work, forced the union to drop the strike in the private sector.

Employees of privately owned steel firms earn about 20 per cent more than colleagues working for the British Steel Corp.

### Growers in 'serious trouble'

## Florida oranges face deep freeze

NEW YORK, March 4 (AP) — Florida citrus fruit growers, their 2 billion dollar-a-year industry already in "serious trouble" after a night of freezing weather left oranges iced on trees, shivered and worried Tuesday after another night of cold.

Elsewhere in the southern United States, residents dug out from under record snow and hoped for warmer weather.

The storm, roaring in from the midwest over the weekend, dumped more than 30 centimeters of snow in Virginia and up to 76 centimeters in North Carolina. It was blamed for at least 36 deaths in 10 states.

In Florida, blossoms of next year's orange crop turned black in the record-low temperatures that hit the citrus area.

Ice coated the unharvested early and mid-winter orange crop, amounting to 1.5 to 2.0 million boxes. And rapidly maturing Valencia oranges, about 85 million 90-pound (40.8 kg) boxes ready to be harvested for frozen concentrated orange juice, froze on the trees in minus 6 (c) temperatures Sunday and Monday.

"We are in serious trouble," said Herb Riley of the Florida Fruit Inspection Service as growers and inspection teams checked millions of acres of groves from the Gulf of Mexico to the Atlantic.

"Right now we're extremely concerned about next year's crop," said Don Linn, executive vice president of Sealed Sweet Growers Inc. of Tampa, a marketing group for 4,500 growers.

## 'A non-shooting war'

### McGovern hits grain embargo

DENVER, Colorado, March 4 (AP) — Embargoing grain sought by the Soviet Union is "like asking the American farmer to engage in a non-shooting war with the Soviet Union," Sen. George McGovern said Monday.

The South Dakota Democrat told the 78th annual convention of the National Farmers Union that grain farmers were being asked to carry an unfair share of America's response to the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

President Jimmy Carter embargoed 17 million metric tons of grain sought by the Soviets to protest the Afghan invasion.

"Since 75 per cent of all our trade with the Soviets is in grain and since the farm population of our country hovers at about 3 per cent, I think the question of asking 3 per cent of the

## European firms conclude gas deal in Nigeria

ESSEN, West Germany, March 4 (R) — A group of West European firms have concluded a 20-year agreement to buy liquefied natural gas from Nigeria, the West German concern Ruhrgas Ag here said.

Under the agreement, the firms will import eight billion cubic meters (282 billion cubic feet) a year from 1984 to 1988. Nigeria will sell the same amount to American companies, Ruhrgas said in a press statement.

It said that construction of a liquefaction factory in Nigeria would begin next year. A total of 16 tankers, each with a capacity of 130,000 cubic meters, would be needed to ship the gas to Europe and the cost of the whole project would be more than \$10 billion.

The agreement was concluded on Feb. 29 between the Lagos-based company Bonny LNG Ltd. and firms including Gaz de France, and Ruhrgas, and Thyssen AG GMBH (all West Germany), Ruhrgas said.

Bonny comprises the Nigerian national petroleum corporation, Shell, British Petroleum, Phillips, Agip and Elf Aquitaine. Ruhrgas said that under the contract the West German companies would receive a total of 2.3 billion cubic meters of gas annually.

### Philippine visits UAE

ABU DHABI, March 4 (R) — Philippine's Energy Minister Gerónimo Velasco arrived Monday on a one-day visit to the United Arab Emirates (UAE), the official Emirates News Agency W.A.M. said.

Velasco earlier visited Iraq.

## Market opens mixed, drifts lower

NEW YORK, March 4 — Following a narrowly mixed opening Monday in which the DJIA was off nearly ½ point, stock prices drifted steadily lower throughout the day losing its greatest points in late afternoon trading. The DJIA closed at 854.35 off 8.79. Volume barely closed off Friday's pace totaling 38.89 million shares and declining issues outpaced advances 1008 to 537 with 370 unchanged. New high's 25. New low's 127. The DJIA closed down 1.90 to 287.54 and the DJIA off .05 to 108.73. The AMEX down 2.10 to 301.38.

News released on the day, U.S. Reserve assets rose \$3.03 billion in January, the nations holding of foreign currencies rose \$88.9 billion and gold and silver stocks unchanged from December's \$11.17 billion reported the treasury Dept. U.S. construction spending rose 1.6 per cent in January from December to a seasonally adjusted \$246.1 billion annual rate reported the Commerce Dept. U.S. merchandise trade gap widened to \$3.6 billion using FAS method. Last week's report based on CIF (Cost Insurance and Freight) basis widened to 4.76 billion.

Losing issues on the day-energy, Atlantic Richfield 1 to 98½, Getty Oil 2½ to 90½, Mesa Pete 2

people to carry 75 per cent of the country's response to the USSR is open to debate," McGovern told 1,500 farmers and delegates. Tony Dechant, outgoing president of the NFU after 14 years at the helm of the 300,000 member organization, told the convention that the U.S. balance of trade could be improved by up to \$5 billion annually if world markets could be raised to the cost of production.

"Instead, we continue to be a residual supplier, getting clearance prices for our grain — giving it away while the nation pays whatever the asking price is for oil," Dechant said in remarks prepared for delivery Monday night.

Meanwhile, U.S. industrialist Armand Hammer warned Monday that the United States would further damage already shaky relations with the Soviet Union if it clamps new import quotas on anhydrous ammonia from that country.

He also said quotas would sharply increase the costs of ammonia — used primarily as fertilizer — to farmers. This ultimately will hurt consumers.

Hammer, who recently met with Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev, said he is "convinced this trouble in Afghanistan can be settled, will be settled."

In January, following the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, Carter ordered a 1-million-ton import quota for 1980 on Soviet anhydrous ammonia. The chemical is used primarily to produce fertilizer.

The president also asked the International Trade Commission to determine whether further import limits should be set.

Until then, Carter had opposed any restriction on Soviet ammonia, rejecting an ITC decision last October to act quotas through 1982 to protect the domestic anhydrous ammonia industry.

The Soviets have been importing anhydrous ammonia to the United States under a series of long-term agreements with Occidental Petroleum Corp., headed by Hammer. From 305,000 tons in 1978, Soviet imports were expected to reach 2.3 million tons by 1982.

The ITC now is considering import quotas of 1.1 million tons next year and 1.3 million tons in 1982.

Such a decision "would cause further deterioration in relations between the United States and the Soviet Union," Hammer told the ITC at hearings here.

"The commission should be aware that this agreement has substantial benefits from the standpoint of international relations," Hammer said. It will play a "critical role in molding the views and attitudes" of future Soviet leaders, who succeed the ailing Brezhnev, he added.

to 68½, Std. of Ind. 2½ to 113½, Std. of Ohio 1½ to 48½, Dresser 1½ to 54½, Hughes Tool 1 to 65½ and Texas Oil and Gas 1½ to 39½, Growth and Glamours, Ell Lilly 1½ to 51½, Merck 1½ to 62, Burroughs 1½ to 71½, DIG, Equip. 1½ to 74½, Honeywell 1½ to 91½, Texas Instr 1½ to 96½, Hewlett Pack. 1½ to 64½, Procter and Gamble 1½ to 69½, ABC ½ to 30½ and CBS 1½ to 46½, Basic Industry, Beth Steel ½ to 21½, Allied Chem. ½ to 54½, Dupont ½ to 37½ Ind. Paper ½ to 40½, FT. Howard Paper 1½ to 41, Boise Cascade ½ to 34½, Weyerhaeuser ½ to 34½ and Gibril Finc. ½ to 8½, Autos General Motors ½ to 50, Machinery, Bucyrus-Erie ½ to 19½, Caterpillar 1½ to 51½, Parker Hannifin ½ to 30, Airlines UAL 1 to 17½, Ralls, Burlington Northern 1 to 76, Union Pacific ½ to 93½, Metals, Reynolds Metals ½ to 36½, Precious Metals Dome Mines ½ to 74½, Rosario Resources ½ to 74½.

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## 'No wage-price controls'

### Carter assures corporations

WASHINGTON, March 4 (AP) — Top officials of U.S. President Jimmy Carter's administration are trying to pressure 500 largest businesses in the United States that wage-price controls will not be used as weapons in the war on inflation.

At the same time, Treasury Secretary G. William Miller and Alfred Kahn, who heads the council on wage and price stability, are making it clear those companies are expected to cooperate with Carter's voluntary anti-inflation guidelines.

In telegrams sent Sunday to the corporations, Miller and Kahn expressed concern about reports that some businesses are raising prices in anticipation of mandatory controls.

"The president is determined that he will not impose such controls. He does not have the legal authority to do so, and he does not intend to seek it," said the telegram released by the White House.

"However, the president's voluntary price standards remain in effect and we expect full compliance," the telegram said. "The council on wage and price stability will intensify its monitoring activities to make certain that both the price and wage standards continue to be effective."

Meanwhile, the chairman of the House and Means Committee said that Carter's 1981 budget is "unacceptable to the American people," and he questioned whether the White House fully understands the need for prompt action to curb inflation.

"Some strong signal to the world and the money markets is needed in the next few days to avert a very severe financial crisis in this country," said Rep. Al Ull-

man, Democrat-Oregon. W. Bowman Cutter, a White House budget official, told Ullman's committee that the administration's current review of the proposed budget will be completed in about two weeks.

Meanwhile, interest rates on U.S. Treasury bills soared to record levels for the third consecutive week, with 13-week bills carrying 15.136 per cent interest in Monday's sale.

The rate on 26-week bills, meanwhile, rose from last week's 13 per cent to 14.792 per cent.

The 13-week bills had carried interest of 13.7 per cent last week.

Richard Gregg, assistant treasury commissioner for financing, said yields on the Treasury bills of 15.96 per cent for 13-week bills and 16.21 per cent for 26-week bills were the highest ever on any Treasury security, surpassing the 14.39 per cent coupon rate available on 525-year notes sold Feb. 26.

Rates on Treasury securities have been rising to record levels in recent weeks in the wake of the U.S. Federal Reserve's action on Feb. 15 to tighten credit by raising a key interest rate.

The new rate on 26-week bills means that money market certificates sold starting Thursday at banks and thrift institutions will carry a maximum of 14.792 per cent interest. The rate on the popular 10,000-dollar savings certificates is tied by federal banking rules to the Treasury bill rate.

The Treasury said it sold about \$3.3 billion worth of each bill denomination in Monday's auction.

### Mining poses problems

## Law of the Sea Conference opens

UNITED NATIONS, March 4 (AP) — The U.N. Conference on the Law of the Sea began five weeks of meetings here Monday aimed to result in the issuance of a formal treaty on that subject for governments to consider before meeting again in Geneva July 28 to finish the treaty.

The conference president, H. Shirley Amerasinghe of Sri Lanka referred delegates to the schedule for the New York phase of the ninth session of the six-year-old conference, and said:

"It is important that we do stick to it if we are to achieve the objective."

The New York meetings are to end April 4. About 90 per cent of the treaty was approved in earlier sessions of the conference, which held its first organizational meeting in December 1973 and began substantive work at Caracas the following year.

Delegates hope to return to the Venezuelan capital for the ceremonial conclusion of a treaty, perhaps early next year.

The proposed accord would cover all aspects of the use and exploitation of the seas

and oceans, from navigation to mining. Deep-sea mining is one of the most difficult problems confronting the session.

Delegates hope the July gathering will wrap up the convention but the U.S. delegation, former Commerce Secretary Elihu Richardson, said he was not so confident.

Noting the U.S. had invested enormous sums in deep-sea mining technology, he said it could not allow its interests to be overridden by states with no such stake.

Mr. Amerasinghe had been expected to refer to the progress of the previous eight sessions and encourage the delegates to make a determined effort to overcome the remaining obstacles to a treaty. But he refrained from making a substantive statement.

Most of the conference is done in committee by relatively small groups of delegates representing various national and regional interest groups. The open meetings of the conference are used largely to stand approval for the resulting agreements.

No date was set for the next meeting of the session.

### Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 5:00 P.M., Tuesday

	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.36	3.36	3.36
Pound Sterling	7.49	7.60	7.57
Deutsche Mark (100)	189.00	192.00	189.30
Swiss F (100)	196.00	205.00	196.65
French F (100)	80.00	81.75	80.80
Italian Lira (10,000)	41.00	40.70	41.40
Lebanese Lira (100)		101.50	100.80
Syrian Lira (100)		79.50	86.60
Egyptian Pound		4.45	4.50
Kuwaiti Dinar		12.27	12.27
Jordanian Dinar		11.45	11.30
Emirates Dirham (100)		90.10	90.10
Qatar Riyal (100)		91.80	91.80
Bahraini Dinar		89.50	8.50
Iranian Riyal (100)			
Iraqi Dinar (100)		10.60	
Yemeni Riyal (100)		74.25	74.10
Moroccan Dirham (100)		84.50	95.50
Indian Rupee (100)			41.80
Pakistani Rupee (100)			34.15
Gold kg.		69,700.00	
10 Tolas bar		8,150.00	
Silver kg.			
Japanese Yen (1,000)	13.50		13.80
Canadian Dollar	2.94	3.00	
Belgian Franc (1,000)	116.00	118.00	
Dutch Guilder (1,000)	172.00	175.00	172.00
Spanish Peso		51.00	51.00
Greek Drachma (1,000)		82.50	
Philippines Peso (1,000)			46.00
Singapore			1.58

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### PORTS AUTHORITY

#### JEDDAH ISLAMIC PORT

#### SHIPS MOVEMENTS UPTO 0700 HOURS

ON

THE 4TH MARCH 1980

17TH RABI THANI 1400.

Berth	Vessel	Agent	Cargo	Arrival
3.	Atticos	S.C.S.A.	Wheat/Sorghum	24.2.80.
4.	Carl Everett	O.C.E.	Banana	1.3.80
5.	Csokonal	A.A.	Bags. Barley	2.3.80
6.	Whita Nila	A.E.T.	Loading Mty. Contrs.	3.3.80
7.	Phaedon II	Baboud	Bagd. Cargo	21.1.80
8.	Gine	Red Sea	General	2.3.80
10.	Yannis Nicholas	Orri	Bagd. Barley	29.2.80
12.	Union Boston	O.C.E.	Rebar/Steel/Gen.	2.3.80
13.	Helle Pilot	Orri	Steel/Plywd	3.3.80
14.	Kroisaos	Orri	Asbestos in Bags	25.2.80
15.	Wild Avocet	O.C.E.	Reefers	23.2.80
18.	Ionian Carrier	Rolaco	Bulk Cement	2.3.80
19.	Unemuno	Alsebah	Bulk Cement	28.2.80
20.	Thekapost-I	A.A.	Containers	4.23.80
21.	Houda Star	Alwani	Timber	1.3.80
22.	Reem-I	O.C.E.	Rebar/Timber/Gen.	3.3.80
23.	Wakatake Maru	Alireza	Contrs/Gen.	2.3.80
24.	Atlantif Reefer	A.E.T.	Reefers	3.3.80
25.	Saudi Star	O.Trede	general	29.2.80
26.	Ell-I	Alasda	Bagd. Barley	2.3.80
27.	Suste 'U'	Orri	Eggs	1.2.80
28.	Rein Frost	O.C.E.	Reefers	2.3.80
35.	Nadlloyd Rouen	Alireza	Containers	4.3.80
38.	Imperial Star	O.Trades	Bgs. Sugar	3.3.80
41.	Wladyslaw Loidetek	Attar	Steel/Marble/Tiles	3.3.80
42.	Iafteria-II	Alpha	General	3.3.80
			Bags Barley	29.2.80

#### KING ABDUL AZIZ PORT

#### DAMMAM

#### SHIP MOVEMENTS UPTO 0700 HOURS

ON 17.4.1400/4.3.1980

CHANGES PAST 24 HOURS

4.	Wakagiku Maru	Alireza	Contrs. N Gan.	3.3.80
6.	Al Shehabia	Algosaihi	General N Sleepers	1.3.80
9.	Nedlloyd Bangkok	Kanoo	General	3.3.80
10.	New Beach	Gulf	Loading Urea	19.2.80
12.	Concordia Tabla	Alasabah	General	3.3.80
13.	Ming Giant	Kanoo	General	3.3.80
20.	Eastam Marinar	Saita	Cement bags	3.3.80
21.	Pacific Exporter (D.B.)	Alireza	Bulk Cement	26.2.80
			Liva Sheep	2.3.80
26.	Alqurain	Kanoo	Rice, Barley N Gan	29.2.80
27.	Sisal Trader	Barber	General	2.3.80
28.	Sea Lion	Algosaihi	General N Buses	2.3.80
32.	New whala	AET	General	2.3.80
34.	Al Salimash	Kanoo	Cement Silo Vessel	1.4.78
36.	Psara Flag	S.M.C		

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## International Share Information المعلومات الدولية

Quaker Oats .....	25 1/4	29 1/4	City Development .....	2 3/8	2 3/8
RCA Corp .....	24	23	Cold Storage .....	3 3/8	3 3/8
Rapid American .....	15 1/8	19 1/4	Cons. Plants .....	2 3/8	2 3/8
Reynolds .....	75 1/8	75 1/4	D.B.S. B. ....	5 1/8	5 1/8
Republic Steel .....	22 1/4	22 1/2	F & N .....	6 40	6 40
Reylon .....	22 1/4	22 1/2	Howe Bros. ....	2 40	2 40
Reynolds Ind. ....	31 1/2	32	Inchase .....	(NT)	(NT)
Reynolds Metals ..	37	37 1/2	I and R.G. ....	(NT)	(NT)
Rice .....	5 1/8	5 1/4	Jardine Matheson ..	(NT)	(NT)
Rockwell Inter. ....	89 1/8	85 1/2	Kempson .....	6 65	6 65
Royal Dutch .....	2 1/8	2 1/2	Ki Ngong .....	5 62	5 62
Ryder .....	69 1/2	65	Malayan Banking ..	9 30	9 20
S&W Corp .....	31 1/4	31	Malayan Tobacco ..	7 40	7 40
Safeway Stores .....	31 1/4	31 1/2	M Borneo Timber ..	2 15	2 15
S.M. Plastic Paper ..	31 1/4	31 1/2	National Iron .....	6 75	6 85
Santa Fe Ind. ....	UNAV	UNAV	N Seward .....	(NT)	(NT)
Scherling Phil. ....	54	53 1/2	O.C.B. B. ....	8 60	8 60
Shaw-Walker .....	36	34 1/2	Rothmans .....	4 54	4 50
Shimberg .....	112	112 1/2	Serlon .....	(NT)	(NT)
Shinwa .....	28 1/2	28 1/2	Shinwa Holdings .....	4 55	4 55
Seabird Coast L. ....	34 1/4	34 1/4	Singapore Land .....	3 88	3 88
Seagram Co. ....	22 1/2	22 1/2	Straits Traders .....	10 40	10 40
Seiwa (C) .....	49 1/2	49 1/2	T. Sato .....	4 30	4 30
Seisoo .....	16 1/2	16 1/2	Tanemong .....	(NT)	(NT)
Shell Int'l .....	71 1/2	69 1/2	Tractors Malaysia ..	7 05	7 18
Shinwa .....	36	36	Tongoh .....	(NT)	13 00
Sigbee .....	49 1/4	49 1/4	U.O.B. ....	4 32	4 32
Sigbee Corp .....	84	84	Willam Jacks Co. ....	2 01	2 00
Sony Corp .....	8 1/4	8 1/4			
Southern Cal. Ed. ....	21 1/4	20 1/4			
Southern Pacific ..	44	43 1/2			
Southern Railway ..	60	60			
Southern Ry. Co. ....	54 1/2	54 1/2			
Equibank Corp .....	33 1/2	32 1/2			
Standard Brands .....	27 1/2	27 1/4			
Std. Oil California ..	116 1/4	116 1/4			
Std. Oil Indiana .....	116 1/4	116 1/4			
Std. Oil Ohio .....	101 1/2	100 1/4			
Standard Oil .....	20	20			
Stevens Ind. ....	14 1/4	14 1/4			
Sum Corp .....	80 1/4	80 1/4			
Sunbeam Corp .....	17 1/4	17 1/4			
Sydney Corp .....	16	15 1/2			
T.P.W. Inc. ....	42 1/4	44			
Telegraph .....	143 1/4	143 1/4			
Tenneco .....	49 1/4	49 1/4			
Texas .....	72	72 1/2			
Texas Instrum. ....	87 1/2	87 1/2			
Texas Oil .....	15 1/8	15 1/4			
Texas Gulf .....	33 1/2	33 1/2			
Tetraph .....	28 1/2	28 1/2			
Thyssen .....	53 1/2	53 1/2			

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US Indusl.....	8%	0%	Haninex.....	1.45	1.40
US Steel.....	18%	19%	Hooker.....	1.15	1.10
US Tobacco.....	30%	28%	Kathleen.....	6.40	6.50
Utah Technologies.....	45%	46%	Leid Lense.....	3.32	3.45
Valero Enr.....	19%	19%	Megason.....	4.30	(N7)
Wachovia Corp.....	16%	16%	Messl Bros.....	0.97	0.92
Walter Jm.....	24%	24%	Metals Ex.....	1.35	1.35
Warner Commn.....	57%	57%	MFM.....	5.48	5.70
			MR Lyral.....	2.50	2.55

Wells Fargo	23	22 1/2	Nat. Bank	2.58	2.58
Western Union	23	26 3/4	Nichols	1.50	1.48
Westinghouse Elect.	23	26 3/4	North Brn Hill	3.85	3.85
Weyerhaeuser	21	23	Oil Search	3.85	4.05
Whitcomb	18	17 1/2	Pancontinental	3.35	3.34
White Motor	22	8 1/2	Petco-Walstead	5.00	5.20
Winn-Dixie St.	25 1/2	25 1/2	Pettibone	9.00	9.20
Woolworth	22 1/2	22 1/2	Pfizer-Waterbury	2.00	2.20
Wyer Corp.	8 1/4	8	Pineapple	2.25	2.25
Xerox Corp.	80 1/2	60	Quonseth Mines	6.20	6.30
Yarnco	35 1/2	35 1/4	Renshaw	18.50	19.50
Zapata Corp.	35 1/2	35 1/4	Repro	1.12	1.11
Zenith Radio	9 1/8	9 1/4	Robt.	1.35	1.35
			Santitas	8.20	8.00
			Seafirst	(MT)	4.20

DOW JONES CLOSING STOCK AVERAGES					Southern .....	20.00	18.00
February 29					Southeast .....	0.36	0.38
					Stocks & Holdings .....	5.20	5.20
					Swiss Brewery .....	1.68	1.70
30 Industrials ..... \$63.14			UP 9.70	or 1.52%	Texas .....	2.10	0.80
20 Transport ..... 289.44			UP 2.20	or 0.80%	Union .....	2.20	2.20
15 Utilities ..... 136.85			UP 1.27	or 0.92%	Toys .....	2.20	2.12
6 Stocks ..... 31.071			UP 3.43	or 1.10%	U.S. Mails .....	4.60	4.60
<b>PARIS</b>					Walters .....	0.82	0.87
					Weiss .....	(0.1)	(0.1)
					Westfield .....	(0.1)	(0.1)
					WMC .....	4.98	4.98
					Woodside Pet. ....	2.88	2.88
					Woodworth .....	1.52	1.50
			Price Rise				
Closing Feb. 29	Closing Feb. 27						
Air Liquide .....	\$50.00	\$50.00					
Alstom .....	\$4.00	\$4.00					
Aux. Ent. ....	468.00	469.00					
Beguin-Sar. ....	950.00	87.50					
Boisfranc .....	950.00	71.50					

Carrefour	1795	1812	Asahi Elec. Chem.	175	196
Casino	1385	1275	Bank of Tokyo	223	223
CBS	53	10	Banyu Pharm.	863	863
Charm	17.95	17.70	Carlson Camera	527	629
Chien, Roultrie	140.50	141.00	Daitchi Kangyo Bank	386	380
CTI-Alpapel	1050	1050	Daiwa Bank	215	215
CTI-Asia	1050	1050	Fuji Photo Film	490	478
De Beers	18	18	Galbraith	180	180
De Beers	321.50	321.50	Huichu	235	248
CGC	345.00	345.00	Iongai	250	365
CGE	18	18	Ichihara	450	450
CIG	132.00	132.00	Kajima	290	289
Generale Bank	465.00	475.00	Kansai El. Power	894	891
Glaxo	1400	1400	Kansai Steel	134	137
ESSE	365.00	370.00	Komatsu	344	330

Fin. Partners	226.50	226.00	Metekushie Elec.	680	689
Fr. Partners	270.20	270.10	Metekushie Chemical	263	258
Gaieries Lafayette	152.00	151.50	Mitsubishi Electric	263	263
Imperial	115.50	115.00	Mitsubishi Hyv Ind.	152	152
J. Borel	124.00	124.50	Mitsui Co.	266	266
Kleber Electronics	57.00	55.40	Nippon Electric	475	480
Lafarge	153.00	153.00	Nippon Electric	387	401
Legrand	1530	1475	Nippon Oil	1,950	1,940
Loacrance	220.00	219.00	Nippon Steel	130	133
L. Yves	584.00	584.00	Nissan Motor	715	710
Macchioni Ben	57.20	57.50	Pioneer	1,910	1,850
Met. Normandie	63.70	63.00	Ricoh	572	572
Michelin	798	805	Sharp	585	588
Moet-Hennessy	518.00	518.00	Shienido	962	973
Norluxim	78.00	80.70	Sony	1,820	1,820
Numen	471.00	465.00	Sunifumo Chem.	145	140
Nobel-Biscui	51.18	51.20	Takeda	486	490
Parrot-Sat	262.00	261.50	Tajima	165	164
OLUK	200.00	201.50	Tokyo Marine Fire	606	605
PLD	187.00	108.50	Toney Indus.	229	227
Permod Rodan	252.90	266.50	Utsushia Elec.	188	187
Perrin	242.40	242.40	Toto	427	427
Peugeot Citroen	242.40	248.00	Toyo Kogyo	396	380
			Toyota	800	802

Price	223.00	226.00	Closing	Closing
Printramps	118.00	116.00	Feb. 28	Feb. 29
Rader	814.00	815.00		
Redleaf	304.00	305.50		Price Swaps Fr.
Refr. (C. Gas)	207.00	208.80	Alugabaz	1757
Refr. (C. Double)	207.00	208.80	Bank Ltd.	5200
Rhone Poulenc	131.80	132.50	BOV (Basler)	1752
Roussel-UCLAF	264.00	266.00	Bondale	2770
Saint	28.50	29.20	Ciba Geigy (Sw)	1718
Saint-Gobain	128.10	129.00	Ciba Geigy (Non-Yt)	945
St. Louis-Bouchon	155.00	156.80	Columbia	700
SAT	358.00	354.00	Credit Suisse	2340
Schneider	155.00	154.00	Electromat	2315
			Fischer (George)	849
			Heller	843

SRK Packaging			Jelmoli (Fy) 100	1360	1360
Seper	188.00	195.00	Landis & Gray (Reg)	1455	1470
Sherrill	410.00	410.00	Nestic (Beaver)	3415	3470
Shuet	272.00	275.00	Orin	275	271
Thompson-Brandt	219.00	223.50	Sambox (Beaver)	4040	4000
UTP	177.00	180.00	Sander (Non-voting)	512	512
Univisor	14.50	15.00	Saur (Beaver)	912	912
Valencue	80.00	85.00	Schindler (Beaver)	1280	1300
			SSAH	595	400
Foreign Issues			Stevens	2025	2025
ESAF	343.00	342.00	Sutler (Non-voting)	325	359
Euron	274.00	272.00	Swissair (Beaver)	760	773
Goldfields	58.40	55.00	Swiss Bank Corp.	403	403
Inco	129.00	122.50	Swiss Re (Beaver)	5800	5750

Norsk-Hydro	527.00	546.00	Volksbank	1900	1900
Petrolina	81.05	83.00	Wilmhurst Acc (Br)	2470	2440
Philips	40.80	41.99	Zurich Ins (Br)	13700	13750
Pres. Brand	162.00	176.50	BASLE		
Royal Dutch	365.00	355.00	Roche Baby	6025	6000
RTZ	41.45	40.55	Roche Div.Cen	60000	60000
Siemens	623.00	633.00			
Sony	27.05	27.50			
Unilever	236.90	236.00			

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STANGPORE			منشاوره		
	Closing	Closing		Closing	Closing
	Feb. 29	Feb. 28		Feb. 29	Feb. 28
	Price Singapore \$			Price Singapore \$	
Acme	2.52	2.82	Acme	2.52	2.82
Boustead	4.54	4.48	Boustead	4.54	4.48
Bovis	0.54	0.52	Bovis	0.54	0.52
Bukit Limbing	3.78	3.74	Bukit Limbing	3.78	3.74
Cycle & Carriage	3.10	3.18	Cycle & Carriage	3.10	3.18

**NOTES**

**STOCKS**

xx = Ex alt; xc = Ex scrip issue; xd = Ex dividend; ze = Ex rights; (NT) = Not Traded; SUSP = Suspended; UNAV = Unavailable.

**BONDS**

Kuwait Bond Market and recent Kuwaiti Dinar Bond issues quoted when available from source.

Europe	171.2	129.1	DN 0.1
France	109.2	109.0	UP 2.2
U.S. (J.K.)	124.7	126.4	DN 2.0
U.S. (L)	182.0	129.5	UP 4.5
Japan	254.3	255.0	DN 0.7
Germany	206.0	203.6	UP 2.4
Canada (2)	87.1	88.1	UP 0.7
France	123.5	123.3	UP 0.9
Australia	119.9	115.8	UP 0.8
Italy	91.7	91.0	DN 0.6
Switzerland	92.9	96.1	DN 2.8
Netherlands	85.3	87.4	DN 0.5
Italy	60.5	61.3	UP 0.2
Belgium	107.5	107.9	DN 3.1
Sweden	104.1	103.7	UP 8.8
Norway	253.8	252.7	DN 5.1
Denmark	110.1	110.5	DN 3.2
Austria	133.0	132.7	UP 1.2

(1) NYSE (2) TSE  
Index converted to 1 Jan 1970 Base  
Base = Jan 1970 exports 100

Mar-Apr 95.50 offered (93.50).  
Columbia Cassel Crop (11/3/92) Inc.  
Mar-Apr 95.00 offered (97.50)

**ROTTERDAM WHEAT**

Prices CF: (In US No. 2 Northern  
and/or Northern Ds) Prices in US Dollars

Feb-March	200.32	205.60
March	200.00	208.00
April-May	200.00	209.00
May-June	200.00	209.00
June-July	202.00	202.00
July-August	204.00	204.00

**SOYBEAN U.S.**

Spot	230.00	230.00
Feb-March	232.00	232.00
March	237.00	237.00
Nov-March	254.00	254.00



**B.C.**

AND IT'S A BREEZIE HIT TO LEFT FIELD!!

WHAT IN THE WORLD ARE YOU DOING?

I'M LISTENING TO THE BALL GAME THROUGH MY CRYSTALS.

I'VE GOT A GIANT CRYSTAL AND I'VE NEVER HEARD A PEEP OUT OF IT!

YOU HAVE TO HAVE A SET.

**ANDY CAPP**

DO YOU FANCY YET, CHANCES, PET?

NOT MUCH—THE TEAM WILL NEVER GET ANYWHERE 'TIL WE MAKE WAY FOR YOUNG BLOOD.

I DIDN'T LIKE TO MENTION IT, BUT MAYBE IT'S TIME YOU TOOK IT A BIT EASY.

ME?! I'M TALKIN' ABOUT CHALKIE—AN' PERCY—!!!

I'VE GOT KIPPERS FOR TEA—YOU LIKE KIPPERS, DON'T YOU, PET?

**BLONDIE**

I'LL HAVE A CUP OF COFFEE AND A DOUGHNUT FOR DESSERT.

COMING UP.

THERE YOU GO—INK AND A SINKER.

WHOEVER SAID "WHAT'S IN A NAME?" NEVER ATE HERE!

**BEETLE BAILEY**

I THINK I MADE THE BRIDGE STRONG ENOUGH FOR YOU, SARGE.

YOU THINK?

IN THAT CASE YOU GO ACROSS FIRST!

IN THAT CASE I'LL NEED MORE ROPE.

**HAGAR**

NO, HELGA! I AM NOT COMING DOWN FOR A BATH!

AND THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT!

CHOP CHOP CHOP

**WIZARD**

YOU LOOK TROUBLED.

I'M POND'RING ONE OF THE SEEDLESS MYSTERIES OF NATURE.

MAYBE I CAN HELP YOU... WHAT IS IT?

WHERE DID THE SEEDLESS GRAPE COME FROM?

### DENNIS THE MENACE

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**ACROSS**

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6 Something for one's suit  
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15 Auto mechanic's term  
16 Show character  
17 Dream, as stone  
18 German city  
19 Actress, — Miamon  
21 No. Ger.  
22 Its flesh is useless  
23 Vote in  
25 Waistcoat  
26 Small salamander  
27 Soft mineral  
28 THE  
29 Immortal ballerina  
32 Upward; prof.  
33 Choler  
34 Take up arms  
35 Building beam  
37 Undisguised  
38 Tie the oxford  
39 Gaelic  
40 — out (unsuccessfully defeated)

**DOWN**

1 Oscar or Grammy  
2 Arbor  
3 Stanley novel  
4 Word with more or body  
5 Sculptured  
6 Fortify  
7 once more  
8 Japanese statesman  
9 Late  
10 Savory  
11 Make angry  
12 Liar  
13 Band leader  
14 "I — at the office"  
15 Punch up a text  
16 Religious body  
17 Pickle  
18 Savoring  
19 U.N. name  
20 U.N. name  
21 Bonnet  
22 Repeated, as a read  
23 — de resistance  
24 "— Triste"  
25 Eve —  
26 Eratosthenes  
27 U.N. name  
28 Bonnet

**Yesterday's Answer**

1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40.

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QA E CREUX FKUWU INV KEMU  
AUMUW GES JUZHUU XEA JU  
QAGCQWQAP. — YHYQU GNQSK  
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### Contract Bridge

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#### An Unusual Defensive Play

South dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ 7 5  
♥ 10 8 4 2  
♦ 7  
♣ 10 8 3

**EAST**  
♠ K 10 2  
♥ J 9 6  
♦ A K J 9 8 5 3  
♣ —

**SOUTH**  
♠ A 6 4 3  
♥ A K Q 5 3  
♦ A 2  
♣ A K

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1♥ Pass 2♥ 3♥  
4♥ 5♥ Pass Pass

Opening lead — six of diamonds.

Good card reading is the backbone of good defensive play. For example, take this case where you hold the East hand and partner leads the six of diamonds against South's contract of five hearts. You win the diamond with the king, but how much do you know about declarer's hand at this point and what do you play at trick two?

The first thing you do is try to analyze the significance of your partner's six of diamonds lead. This is not a difficult task; West, who raised diamonds, must have started with the Q-10-6 of diamonds and cannot have the deuce or the four because he would have led his fourth-best diamond in that case. You can therefore deduce, as soon as dummy appears, that South has exactly the 4-2 of diamonds.

If he ruffs the diamond return in dummy, he later loses two spade tricks (assuming correct defense). And if declarer does not ruff the diamond return in dummy, West leads a club at trick three and South goes down one.

Note that if East leads a trump at trick two, which seems to be the safest thing to do, it costs him the contract. Declarer draws three rounds of trumps, cashes the A-K of clubs, ruffs a diamond in dummy, and easily scores twelve tricks.

Note also that if East leads the ace of diamonds at trick two, instead of a low diamond, declarer can make the contract by discarding a spade from dummy. East remains on lead and cannot stop South's task; West, who raised diamonds, must have started with the Q-10-6 of diamonds and cannot have the deuce or the four because he would have led his fourth-best diamond in that case. You can therefore deduce, as soon as dummy appears, that South has exactly the 4-2 of diamonds.

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### ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

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| Mecca     | 5:26 | 6:44   | 12:39 | 4:02 | 6:30    | 8:00 |
| Medina    | 5:28 | 6:53   | 12:41 | 4:03 | 6:29    | 7:59 |
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2:30 round and about

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9:00 Opening  
9:01 Holy Quran  
9:05 Gems of Guidance  
9:10 Light Music  
9:15 Top of the Pops  
9:45 Companions of the Prophet  
10:00 A viewpoint  
10:10 Music  
10:15 NEWS  
10:25 S.A.—A Daily Chronicle  
10:30 Sound Sweet and Strange  
11:00 A Leaf from Life's Notebook  
11:10 Music  
11:15 Sound Latin  
11:45 On Islam  
12:00 Concert Choice  
12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams  
01:00 Closedown

3:00 NEWS  
3:10 Press Review  
3:15 Music  
3:20 Science Journal

3:30 A Selection of Music  
3:40 —  
3:50 Closedown

#### BBC

**Morning Transmission**

8.00 World News  
8.09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary  
8.30 Sarah Ward  
8.45 World Today  
9.00 Newdesk  
9.30 Opera Star  
10.00 World News  
10.09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary  
10.30 Sarah Ward  
10.45 Something to Show You  
11.00 World News  
11.09 Reflections  
11.15 Piano Style  
11.30 Brain of Britain 1978  
12.00 World News  
12.09 British Press Review  
12.15 World Today  
12.30 Financial News  
12.40 Look Ahead  
12.45 The Tony Myatt

**Evening Transmission**

1.15 Ulster in Focus  
1.30 Discovery  
2.00 World News  
2.09 News about Britain  
2.15 Alphabet of Musical Curios  
2.30 Sports International  
2.40 Radio Newsreel  
3.15 Promenade Concert  
3.45 Sports Round-up

**World News**

4.00 World News  
4.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary  
4.30 The Pleasure's Yours  
5.15 Report on Religion  
6.00 Radio Newsreel  
6.15 Outlook  
7.00 World News  
7.09 Commentary  
7.15 Sherlock Holmes  
7.45 World Today  
8.00 World News  
8.09 Books and Writers  
8.30 Take One  
8.45 Sports Round-up  
9.00 World News  
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9.15 Radio Newsreel  
9.30 Farming World  
10.00 Outlook News Summary  
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1.09 World Today  
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Reports: Actualities  
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8:30 Dateline  
News Summary  
Special English: News, Feature, The Making of a Nation  
News Summary  
9:30 Music USA: (Standards)  
10:00 News Roundup  
Reports: Actualities  
10:05 Opening: Analyses

**News Summary**

10:30 VOC Magazine  
America: Letter  
Cultural: Letter  
11:00 Special English: News  
11:30 Music U.S.: (Jazz)

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12:00 News newsmakers' voices correspondents reports background features media comments news analyses.



### European Cup quest

## Team changes hit Nottingham Forest

LONDON, March 4 (AP) — Nottingham Forest manager Brian Clough is being forced to make team changes for Wednesday's European Cup quarterfinal, first leg against Dynamo Berlin of East Germany.

England international fullback Viv Anderson is suspended and youngster Bryn Gunn is into the team. Current European champion Forest will give Stan Bowles his taste of European Cup action, probably at the expense of Ian Bowyer, while Dave Wharmby stands by to replace out of form Arthur Lloyd.

Forest, bidding to keep the cup in England for the fourth successive year, lost 1-0 at home to Club Bolton Saturday while Dynamo won 9-1.

The most interesting European Cup quarterfinal is certainly the clash between Celtic, European champions in 1976, and the brilliant Spaniards of Real Madrid, once the dominant force in European soccer.

Celtic's young, inexperienced line-up is led by fleet-footed Bobby Lennox, now the only survivor from Celtic's 1967 triumph.

Lennox, in his 20th season with the Glasgow club, says, "I still enjoy playing. I will

only pack it in when I feel I'm not good enough."

Real Madrid will include England winger Laurie Cunningham who has been a great success in Spain — and West German midfielder Uli Stielke. Veteran team captain Pirri suffered a leg injury against Betis of Seville this weekend and is a doubtful starter.

Real's Yugoslav coach Vujadin Boskov is confident but is worried about Celtic's aggressive approach. "Celtic has less technique than Real, but it has more power," he said. "We need to finish one goal in front."

Both teams boast excellent forwards lines and Santillana, Cunningham and Juanito of Real could pose real problems for the home team.

West German hopefuls Hamburg, lost 2-3 against Kaiserslautern on the weekend but will start favorites against the Yugoslavs of Hajduk Split, who drew 0-0 away to Osijek Sunday.

European footballer of the year Kevin Keegan, in his final season with Hamburg, is keen to finish with another European Cup Final and manager Gunter Netzer is bubbling with confidence.

"We know what is at stake and that is what counts," said Netzer. "We have to advance —

everything else is unimportant and I attach no relevance to our Bundesliga defeat."

Racing Strasbourg of France is at home to experienced Ajax Amsterdam in the other quarterfinal. Both clubs won weekend domestic encounters.

A West German club looks almost certain to win the UEFA Cup again this year, with all five German entries through to the last eight.

Bayern Munich — led by in-form Paul Breitner — meets Kaiserslautern in an all-German clash, while VfB Stuttgart travels to play suspension-weakened Lokomotiv Sofia. Eintracht Frankfurt entertains Zbrojovka Brno of Czechoslovakia and Holbar Borussia Moenchengladbach is away to S.F. Etienne of France.

Borussia coach Jupp Heynckes is unhappy with his team's current form. "I was optimistic before our win against Milan, but now I am very skeptical about our chances," he said. Borussia lost 3-0 to struggling Msv Duisburg Saturday.

Eintracht will be without star winger Bernd Holzenbein, who has torn ligaments, but Austrian international Bruno Pezzey returns after a domestic suspension.

Bayern will be without Norwegian sweeper Jan Einar Aas, who is ineligible, but goalkeeper Walter Junghans and striker Dieter Hoeneß return.

Arsenal, Barcelona and Juventus are the most fancied teams in the European Cup winners' cup and Arsenal appears to have the easiest path to the semifinals.

The London club, which will have captain Pat Rice back after injury, is at home to IFK Gothenburg of Sweden. Arsenal coach Billy Davies watched the Swedes lose at Cardiff last week and manager Terry Neill watched Gothenburg beat Antwerp 1-0 in a friendly Sunday.

Barcelona meets Valencia in an all-Spanish quarterfinal, while Juventus is away to Rijeka of Yugoslavia in the first leg.

Dynamo Moscow meets Nantes in the fourth tie.

Juventus hopes to field Franco Causio and Roberto Favola, both currently suffering from flu. The duo missed Sunday's league match against Napoli.

Meanwhile, in Singapore India beat Sri Lanka 4-0 in the pre-Olympic soccer tournament at National Stadium Monday night.

The halftime score was 1-0. The final goal was scored by Ali Shabbir in the 38th minute of the game. Xavier Pius scored two goals successfully in the 66th and 77th minutes of the game. The last goal was headed in by Shabbir.

### Auckland test heads to draw

AUCKLAND, March 4 (AP) — The third and final cricket test between New Zealand and the West Indies is heading towards a draw at Eden Park, Auckland.

A magnificent bowling spell by West Indies paceman Joel Garner in which he took five for 13 in the morning spell cut New Zealand's hopes of a big score and victory and they were all out in their first innings for 305 after being 239 for four overnight. Garner ended with overall figures of six for 56.

With a first innings lead of 85, the New Zealand bowlers attacked hard after lunch but the easy paced pitch gave them little assistance and at stumps West Indies were two for 121.

Desmond Haynes was bowled by Gary Troup for 48 when trying to force the score along in the face of some tight bowling. His opening partnership with Gordon Greenidge realized 86 runs.



CRESTING: Kenny Roberts, revered by many as "King Kenny" of the motorcycle racing world, goes airborne cresting the big jump in the Yamaha Gold Cup motorcycle races held in Houston. Roberts won his heat in the qualifying round of the steeple chase event, advancing to the finals.

## Read, Mueller start final run to downhill ski championship

LAKE LOUISE, March 4, Canada (AP) — Ken Read of Canada and Peter Mueller of Switzerland had their final training runs Monday in preparation for Tuesday's World Cup downhill that will determine which of the two skiers is the overall champion.

Mueller currently leads the standings, but Read has a chance to overtake him and claim the championship, which would be the first ever by a Canadian male.

The official downhill standings show Mueller with 96 points to 81 for Read, but a World Cup spokesman said the two skiers are much closer than the point spread indicates.

He said under the complicated formula used to devise World Cup points, Read can win the downhill title Tuesday if he wins and Mueller finishes no better than third. If Read comes in second, Mueller must place no better than fifth.

The 73 competitors ran two time trials Sunday. Mueller was fastest down the hill in the first run, timed at 1:58.06. Italian Herbert Plank, second in the first run, was fastest in the second trial in 1:55.78. Read, 24, of Calgary, Alberta, was fifth in 1:59.15 on the

first run and third in 1:56.61 on the second run.

The trials were marred when Franz Klammer of Austria fell in the second run. He lost control about one-third of the way down and fell heavily, tearing ligaments in the right leg. He also suffered a deep cut in the left arm and was taken to a hospital in Calgary for x-rays of the left leg for a possible broken bone.

Austrian ski officials said Klammer, 25, would probably be flown back to Austria Tuesday.

Klammer, a four-time World Cup champion and winner of the Olympic title at the 1976 Innsbruck Games, has not been a threat on the World Cup circuit for a couple of years. He was not considered a threat here and had been passed over in the Austrian selection for the Olympics. Prior to Klammer's departure for Calgary, one Austrian official said the injured left leg looked "bad" and that it appeared Klammer's career on the circuit was finished.

### U.S. Sports Briefs

## Depaul retains No. 1 ranking

NEW YORK, March 4, (AP) — The Depaul Blue Demons easily held on to their No. 1 ranking Monday in the final United Press International Board of Coaches poll. Louisiana State was 2nd, followed by Kentucky, Louisville and Oregon State.

Syracuse fell from second place after a loss last weekend to No. 20 Georgetown. Kentucky maintained the third slot despite a weekend loss to Louisville State.

The Minnesota Twins announced the signing of pitchers John Verhoeven and Mike Bacsik, a pair of righthanders used mainly in relief last year, to 1-year contracts.

Bill Foster, who resigned as Duke's head basketball coach Sunday was named to succeed Frank McGuire as head coach at South Carolina. But he'll continue coaching Duke in the NCAA tournament.

All teams in the National Basketball Association had the night off.

In the NFL: St. Louis 5 Pittsburgh 1

## Carter responds to U.S. athletes

WASHINGTON, March 4 (Agencies) — A spokesman for President Jimmy Carter said Monday a response is being drafted to a letter signed by members of the U.S. team at the Winter Olympics who oppose a boycott of the summer games in Moscow.

Claudia Townsend, the president's associate press secretary, said Carter received the appeal, signed by 61 of the 127 athletes on the U.S. team that competed last month at Lake Placid, New York, on Friday.

Jody Powell, the White House press secretary, said last week that Carter welcomes the views of U.S. athletes, whether or not they agree with him that there should be no American participation in the Moscow games because of Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

In London meanwhile, seventy-eight British athletes have signed a letter to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher affirming their right to participate in the summer games, Britain's International Athletes Club has said.

The strong assertion by the athletes is a further setback to the British government campaign for a boycott of the games in protest against the Soviet intervention.

Club secretary Derek Johnson said the group was seeking permission from the International Olympic Committee to send a British team to Moscow even if the British Olympic Association or the government directed a boycott.

## Champion Hunt suffers surprise squash defeat

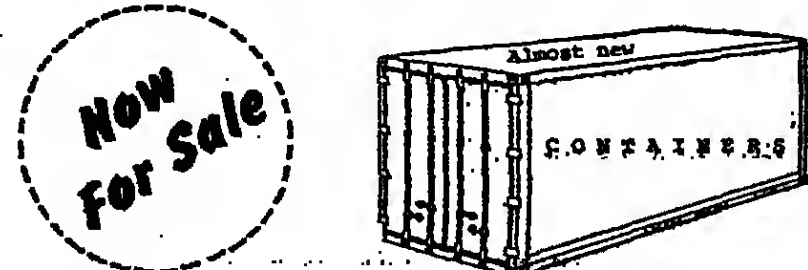
CHICHESTER, England, March 4 (R) — World champion Geoff Hunt suffered another surprise defeat in an international squash tournament here Monday.

The 32-year-old Australian lost his semifinal 3-9, 9-5, 9-0, 9-5 to Idris Jahan of Pakistan.

After taking the opening game Hunt looked completely out of touch and made several uncharacteristic errors.

His defeat comes on the eve of the British Open in London where the world champion will be bidding for a record equalling seventh title.

Hunt has also lost twice recently to world number two Zafar Zaman of Pakistan, who beat an opponent 4-3, 9-2, 9-5 in the other semifinal.



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## Announces land reform, nonalignment

# Mugabe wins in Rhodesia

**SALISBURY, March 4 (Agencies)** — Guerrilla leader Robert Mugabe, the firebrand of Rhodesian black nationalism, Tuesday won an absolute majority of the seats in independence elections ending nine decades of white supremacy.

The official results broadcast on radio and television ended an era in Rhodesia's turbulent history and ushered in an uncertain future for a nation still gripped with the passions of the seven-year bush war.

Mugabe's ZANU (PF) won nearly 63 per cent of the poll, giving his political party 57 of the 80 seats in the National Assembly — or a sure majority.

Eric Pope-Simmonds, the registrar general, said the runner-up to Mugabe was the Patriotic Front party (PF) of Joshua Nkomo, Mugabe's comrade in arms during the war, which won 20 seats.

Outgoing Premier Bishop Abel Muzorewa, who ruled for only six months and nine days, suffered a catastrophic setback winning only three seats — 48 less than in the previous parliament.

Armored cars manned by white troops trundled through the streets of Salisbury Tuesday morning in a show of strength to pre-empt a violent reaction to the vote.

Mugabe, 55-year-old son of a village carpenter and avowed Marxist, is detested by many of the 200,000-plus white minority who fear reprisal for the war years and deprivation in the future from his militant black nationalism.

Mugabe met Tuesday morning at Government House with British governor Lord Soames. Both men agreed political foes must bury the hatchet and join forces in a coalition government, British officials said.

The officials said there was absolutely no doubt that Mugabe would be prime minister, but that the discussions were wider-ranging than simply the constitutional formality of his appointment.

Later, Mugabe outlined at a press conference government policies ranging from non-alignment in foreign affairs to moderate economic plans at home. He came out for:

- Nationalization, with compensation, of under-used land or land owned by absentee landlords so as to embark on the land redistribution program he has pledged to his supporters.

- Acceptance of the capitalist base of the Rhodesian economy with "modifications in a



Robert Mugabe

gradual way" without seizure of private property or blanket nationalization.

On foreign affairs, he said Zimbabwe would be a non-aligned state, with friends among both NATO and Warsaw Pact countries. He called for co-existence with South Africa and said he would have no inhibition about discussing co-existence with the South Africans.

Zimbabwe would be a member of the Commonwealth, the non-aligned movement and the United Nations, he said.

On defense he called for the racial integration of rival forces into a new Zimbabwe army but said there was "no room for mercenaries and Selous Scouts."

The Selous Scouts are a crack Rhodesian unit hated by the guerrillas.

With 57 of the seats in the independence Parliament — 80 of them for blacks and 20

## PLO praises Mugabe

**BEIRUT, March 4 (R)** — The victory of guerrilla leader Robert Mugabe in the Rhodesian election was encouraging for the Palestinian people, a Palestinian spokesman said Tuesday.

Yusuf Abu Sharar said: "That the national and progressive forces obtained in the Zimbabwe elections an absolute majority affects the inevitable victory of the peoples struggling for their right to freedom and self-determination as well as the inevitable collapse of racist and fascist forces and their agents."

for the white Rhodesian Front party of ex-premier Ian Smith. Mugabe already has a majority.

The British governor urged Mugabe to adopt a spirit of reconciliation and bring his former foes into a new administration. But Mugabe has previously said only that he will form a government with Nkomo.

Mugabe renewed that pledge while talking to a small group of reporters in the garden of his heavily-guarded suburban house where he survived one pre-election assassination attempt. He said he would confer with Nkomo on a coalition later Tuesday.

The two men were partners in the Patriotic Front guerrilla alliance during the war — but Mugabe campaigned separately from Nkomo, against Nkomo's wishes.

Nkomo, addressing a news conference, said he had not received an invitation but welcomed the idea of an alliance that would give the two parties a powerful 77 seats in the National Assembly.

"The main thing we have got to look at is that Zimbabwe becomes a stable state. All groups have got to accept that Zimbabwe is independent and contribute to the stability," Nkomo said.

Mugabe dismissed fears of violence in the country in the wake of the results. "Our commitment to peace is total," he said, adding that he would also strive to include as many parties as possible in the new government to form "a broad national front," perhaps even his old foe Smith.

Mugabe won outright in three of the eight electoral provinces, according to official results.

More than two-thirds of 22,000 armed guerrillas gathered in assembly camps under monitoring by British Commonwealth troops since the Jan. 4 cease-fire are loyal to Mugabe.

All but 64 of the 1,300 monitoring forces from Britain, Australia, New Zealand, Kenya and Fiji continued withdrawing from 11 remaining camps as a prelude to integrating the guerrilla armies and the white-led mainly-black Rhodesian security forces, which fought the guerrillas in the war.

Black African countries expressed delight at Mugabe's landslide victory, but the result drew words of warning from white-ruled South Africa.

In London, news of the big Mugabe victory sent prices of Rhodesian government bonds tumbling. Shares of firms with interests in Rhodesia also fell.

## Kennedy confident of Massachusetts win

**BOSTON, March 4 (AP)** — Massachusetts Democrats voted Tuesday in a presidential primary election which Senator Edward M. Kennedy, on home ground, said he would win over President Jimmy Carter, George Bush and a resurgent Ronald Reagan competed for top spot in a crowded Republican field.

The first polls opened shortly after sunrise in an election that awards 111 votes for the Democratic presidential nomination and 42 Republican nominating votes. So far, Carter has won 55 delegates, Kennedy 36. It will take 1,666 to win the Democratic nomination.

As many as 1.5 million voters were expected to cast ballots in the first of the big state presidential campaign tests.

Vermont held its primary election, too. The Republican primary there was for 10 presidential nominating votes, but to get them, the winner had to gain at least 40 per cent of the popular vote.

The Democratic primary was all show and no delegates. Vermont's 12 Democratic convention delegates will be chosen later at a party convention.

Bush said he was a sure winner a week ago in New Hampshire, and Reagan beat him there two-to-one. That showing led the former California governor to intensify his campaign effort in Massachusetts and Vermont. Reagan said he was cautiously optimistic about his prospect in Massachusetts, which he once had described as among his weakest states.

Kennedy, a 10-point loser to Carter in New Hampshire, was in a primary he had to win. "I'm confident I will win," he said on election eve in the state that had four times elected him to the Senate.

Carter's campaign chairman, David L. Flynn, said Kennedy would have to roll up a landslide of 75 per cent or better to gain a real comeback in his challenge to Carter's

## As Tito fades, his cult lives on

**BELGRADE, March 4 (AP)** — For decades, Yugoslavs have rarely opened their wallets or eaten a restaurant meal beyond the steady gaze of Marshal Tito.

In shops, coffee houses, hotels and nearly any public gathering place, the rugged visage of the man who has run Communist Yugoslavia for the past 35 years is prominently displayed.

Over the years, Tito's image has been polished to a high sheen, encouraging the nation to rally around the president as a point of national pride.

Now, all this is on the verge of swept away as Tito's health deteriorates.

Tito's doctors said Tuesday his condition was still grave but there were signs of relief in his pneumonia. Officials say plainly, however, that at this stage they are not encouraged by slight turns for the better.

"The general state of health of the President of the Republic Josip Broz Tito continues to be grave," the presidential medical panel said.

renomination. "A win is a win," Kennedy said.

He needs one, after four losses to Carter, two of them in nearby New England states. In earlier contests, the candidates have spied from victory forecasts, the better to explain away defeats. But for Kennedy, there was no point in hedging about Massachusetts, for his campaign could not survive an upset at home.

Still, songs such as "We are Tito's, Tito is Ours," and "Tito is Our Sunshine" continue to be sung in elementary school choirs.

For many, such expressions of affection are heart-felt. In smoke-filled taverns across the country, accordions accompany the hearty voices of men and women singing. "Tito the white violet," a song about his exploits as a partisan mountain fighter.

The cult of personality is orchestrated; many contend. They recall Tito's past visits to the countryside — almost royal processions — to meet with the people and exercise his folksy political style.

Lengthy television news reports would show Tito riding in his open top, black Mercedes-Benz limousine into the mountainous back country of Yugoslavia. He would hold long meetings with youth groups and town fathers, listening to their comments as he puffed on his cigar.

Yugoslavs have been given one movie documentary, which gave glimpses of his island retreat of Vanga, where he swam in his private pool and puttered in his darkroom or metal workshop.

"Tito knew his people were still traditional enough to like having someone who could live like a king and they thought he had earned it," says one Western student of Tito's political style.

In the cities, stationery stores sell colored posters of Tito in his bright blue marshal's uniform, encrusted with medals. Book stores have stacks of volumes filled with sketches of Tito as a lean, handsome military leader.

Mountains south of Belgrade are whitewashed with his name.

Tito's official birthday is also an official "day of youth" and last year 10,000 school children saluted him with a tumultuous display of folk dances, gymnastics and precise military drills.

Heralded by trumpets, Tito arrived at the stadium while aides swept away flowers thrown in his path. The high-point of the day came when a runner presented the president with a runner's baton that had been carried 20,000 kilometers around the country.

The relay of the baton or "stafeta" is a tradition associated only with Tito. Each year, one baton was carried throughout the country and presented to Tito. Thousands more have been made and sent to him.



The U.S. ambassador peers out of the Dominican embassy where he is a captive.

## Colombian leftists firm on demands

**BOGOTA, March 4 (AP)** — The leftist guerrillas holding at least 20 foreign diplomats and other hostages in the Dominican Republic's embassy for a week vowed that they would not reduce their demands as they prepared for negotiations with the Colombian government Tuesday.

"We won't give in on anything," said the leader of the 30 guerrillas who invaded the embassy during a diplomatic reception last Wednesday. But "we have given no ultimatum," he added in a telephone interview.

One of the guerrillas was killed in the takeover, and the leftists have released 23 hostages, including 15 women. Those still held include the diplomats, two protocol officers from the Colombian Foreign Ministry and at least four other persons.

The guerrillas, members of an organization called V-19, are demanding \$50 million freedom for 311 other V-19 members they claim are under arrest, worldwide publication of an anti-government manifesto and safe conduct out of the country.

V-19 stands for the April 19 movement. It takes its name from the date of the 1970 presidential election, which the organization claims was rigged.

Mexican Ambassador Ricardo Galan, one of the hostages, said everything was calm inside the embassy, which is at the end of a dead-end street in a quiet residential district.

"We are waiting for the negotiations to resume," he reported by telephone.

A Foreign Ministry source said the negotiations would resume sometime Tuesday.

## Embassy students set new conditions

# Hostage visit unlikely

**TEHRAN, March 4 (AP)** — The militants holding the U.S. embassy in Tehran imposed new conditions Tuesday for the U.N. commission to see the American hostages, virtually ending chances for a visit during the panel's current stay and setting the captors on another collision course with President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr's regime.

Spokesmen for the militants told the Foreign Ministry the commission should first submit its findings on the ousted Shah's regime to the United Nations. They said if the U.N. accepted evidence of U.S. crimes in Iran and wrongdoing by the Shah, then a visit to the approximately 50 hostages, who began their fifth month in captivity Tuesday, would be reconsidered.

In the meantime, the spokesmen said, they would be prepared to arrange a meeting with the commission and some of the hostages, perhaps only several, on condition they be heard as witnesses testifying about their role as spies for the U.S. government in Iran.

But Bani-Sadr and the ruling Revolutionary Council turned down the militants' condition for the commission to first submit its report, told the captors they had promised the U.N. panel a meeting with all the hostages and that if their pledge did not materialize the government position would be weakened, the official Pars news agency said.

The militants earlier announced that three of them met for two hours Monday night with Bani-Sadr and four members of the Revolutionary Council and "exchanged views regarding a possible visit to the spy hostages by the commission of inquiry," Radio Tehran reported.

"Various plans were suggested at the meeting but none was accepted," the broadcast announcement continued. "In view of the failure to reach agreement, the students will today inform the Foreign Ministry of their final decision in this regard."

The spokesman for the five-man U.N. commission announced Monday that Bani-Sadr and the Revolutionary Council agreed unanimously that the panel would meet with all the hostages. But Bani-Sadr, who always backed down before when the militants refused to go along with his proposals the hostages, Tuesday repudiated a statement that indicated he might try to force them to comply with the Revolution Council's decisions.

The West German news magazine *Spiegel* reported Bani-Sadr told one of its correspondents if a decision was made to free the hostages, "the students cannot stand against the people. The students cannot make decisions but should only obey." But P said the president told it the statement was "completely untrue."

"I said," he continued, "that if a decision going to be made about the hostages, it will be made after all the people announce their agreement, and the students are not separate from the people or against them."

Hashemi Rafsanjani, a member of Revolutionary Council, indicated the b on which Bani-Sadr and the council tried to get the militants to permit the meeting between the U.N. investigators and the captives. He said the commission would "obtain testimony from the hostages were spies and have agreed to testify."

The taking of such testimony was opposed by the administration of U.S. President Jimmy Carter, which wanted the U.N. to visit them only to determine their condition.

The U.S. government agreed to the commission's trip to Tehran Feb. 23 to investigate the revolutionary regime's charges against the former Shah and said it was given understand that the probe would lead to speedy release of the hostages.

## Gold prices fluctuate; dollar mixes

**LONDON, March 4 (AP)** — The dollar was mixed on world foreign exchanges Tuesday in a market still dominated by the attractively high level of U.S. interest rates. Foreign money dealers said.

Gold dropped in Hong Kong the equivalent of the \$5.73 an ounce to \$630.10 from Monday's \$635.83.

The U.S. dollar closed at 4.93, unchanged from Monday's rate.

Gold prices rose slightly to a mid-morning \$636.50 tray ounce in London and Zurich, compared to closing levels of \$632.50 in London and \$633 in the Swiss financial center on Monday.

Silver was unchanged in London at \$3.00 ounce.

Heavy intervention by the Bank of Japan following weekend announcement of a defense plan, kept the Japanese yen steady in Tokyo. The dollar unchanged at 247.975 yen.

When European banks opened for the day the yen improved to 246.70 as the \$5 billion support plan began to take hold, dealers said.

Dealers said the record prime lending rate of 16.75 per cent in New York, attracted foreign investors, was the dominant factor in money trading.

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